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## News in Brief

### 'Waterways opens

Award-winning Boardwalk artist Gray S. Dodson returns to the Beach with an exhibit in the Lower Gallery of The Old Coast Guard Station. Gray is a landscape painter and former Virginia Beach resident who now lives in Nelson County. She has been a fellow at the Virginia Center for the Creative Arts and was a recipient of a 1999-2000 Individual Artist Fellowship from the Virginia Commission for the Arts.

"Waterways" opens Friday, Nov. 3 and continues through Nov. 26.

The Old Coast Guard Station is at 24th Street and Atlantic Avenue in Virginia Beach. The museum is open 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday and noon to 5 p.m. Sunday. Admission is \$3 for adults, \$2.50 for military and senior citizens and \$1 for young people aged 6 to 18. Museum members receive free admission.

### Colonial Dinner

Tabernacle United Methodist, 1265 Sandbridge Rd., will hold its 23rd annual Colonial Dinner Saturday, Nov. 18 from 4:30 to 7:30 p.m. The menu includes country ham, turkey, dressing, collards, snaps, corn pudding, sweet potatoes, dessert and drink. Admission for adults is \$8, children \$4. The Christmas Menu will include crafts, baked goods, jellies, breads and a new cookbook. For more information call, 426-6991 or 426-2690.

### ROWS luncheon set

The Retired Officer's Wives Society (ROWS) of Tidewater will meet for lunch at 11:30 a.m. Thursday, Nov. 9 at the Fort Story Club in Virginia Beach. Call 481-6356 or 481-2466 by Nov. 5 for reservations. The program will be presented by retired Army Maj. Gen. Jerry Curry, a widely recognized orator who will present selections from his repertoire of grand opera, folk music, spirituals and popular songs. Membership in the organizations is open to all wives and widows of retired military officers and to retired female officers from any branch of uniformed military service.

### Basketball camp

The Paul Webb Holiday Basketball Camp will be held Dec. 26-29 from 9 a.m. to noon at the Great Neck, Kempville and Princess Anne community recreation centers. Cost is \$80 and is open to boys and girls in grades one through eight. To register call 464-4561.

### Art auction

Zonta International, a network of professional businesswomen committed to improving the status of women worldwide, will hold an art auction Saturday at St. Nicholas Community Center, 621 First Colonial Rd. Preview the art from 6 to 6:45 p.m.; the auction kicks off at 7 p.m. Tickets are \$10 a piece and will be available at the door.

### Reading helpers

The Tidewater Literacy Council will conduct a tutor training workshop Nov. 4 and 11 from 9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Sign up to teach an adult to read. The workshop will be held at Oakdale United Methodist Church in Virginia Beach. Call 393-6459 for information and directions.

### Craft Faire

Santas, angels, candles, heirloom baby clothes, antique windows, pottery, holiday items, hot cider, cookies and more will be offered at the historic Lynnhaven House (ca 1725) Craft Faire Nov. 10-12. Hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday and Saturday, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday. Admission fee is \$1 to benefit the Lynnhaven House. For further information call, 460-1688 or 456-0351. The Lynnhaven House is located on 4405 Wishart Rd. near Haygood Shopping Center and the intersection of Independence Boulevard and Haygood/Wishart Roads, Virginia Beach.

### Library workshop

In celebration of Children's Book Week, Nov. 13-19, author and teacher Alice Wakefield will demonstrate to parents and child care providers how to make games based on children's favorite stories during a story-game workshop Thursday, Nov. 16 from 7 to 8:30 p.m. at the Bayside Area Library, 936 Independence Blvd. These games will help prepare preschoolers to be successful in the classroom. Call 460-7518 to register beginning Wednesday, Nov. 1. Participation is limited to 30.

### Christmas bazaar

The Lynnhaven Colony Congregational Church's Women Fellowship will sponsor a Christmas Bazaar Nov. 18 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at 2217 Great Neck Rd. Holiday crafts, holiday pie sale and lunch will be offered. Holiday crafter's space/tables will be for rent. Holiday fashions and accessories will be featured by Cherry Davidson. If interested in renting space call Jean Muehlen at 481-1338 (h) or 422-6700 (w).

## Physician's mission is third world vision

*Husband, wife team make world a joy to behold*

By Victoria Hecht

Dr. Douglas Rampona and wife Linda have witnessed first-hand the thrill that a \$2 pair of eyeglasses can bring someone who has never seen the world clearly.

"One little old lady came out with the old bookworm glasses — she didn't care — and had the biggest smile. You couldn't get the smile off her face," said Linda. The Ramponas recently returned from yet another mission to give others the gift of sight.

In his 24-year career as an ophthalmologist, Dr. Rampona recently completed his 14th mission of restoring sight to the less fortunate around the world. The most recent to Kenya was his fifth there, and the couple are set this month to visit Paraguay.

Rampona has performed more than 10,000 cataract procedures here and abroad since 1987. Other countries visited include Honduras, Ecuador, Mexico, Panama and Bolivia.

The latest trip to Kenya, sponsored by

the international humanitarian organization Lighthouse for Christ, gave the Ramponas the chance to serve in a poor, war-torn country dominated by tribalism.

The couple — Linda assists in any way possible and will next be indoctrinated as a "scrub nurse," her husband joked — worked in the Kenyan bush country in the most basic of conditions.

They often lacked running water, electricity, even adequate shelter, not the ideal circumstances for painstaking eye surgery. They have become masters of improvisation, learning how to sterilize instruments in unsterile conditions and even using a piece of plastic from a key chain to replace shattered bone around the eye socket.

"Kenya is a fascinating country," said Rampona. "Though the land is rich and fertile, the country has been unable to rise above the scars of tribal warfare and a history of enslavement of its people."

During the month-long mission to Kenya, Rampona and the rest of the medical team from Lighthouse for Christ saw about 2,000 patients. They treated ailments as simple as eye infections to as those serious as cataracts.

"These services are almost nonexistent in Kenya," who has been with BeachEye Care for about a year.



IN THE BUSH. Dr. Douglas Rampona prepares for surgery on a Masai tribesman during his most recent mission to Kenya.

"The hospitals in Kenya are somewhere you'd go only if you were already dying. While we were there, we witnessed a terrible cholera epidemic that was killing thousands of people —

something that is unheard of here." It wasn't uncommon, he added, for tribesmen from the Masai to walk two

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QUALITY ASSURED. The city's seventh annual Community Quality Day challenged municipal employees to excel on the job and included a multitude of speakers.

## Quality was order of the day

By Melissa Harris

Correspondent  
 Virginia Beach municipal employees gathered at the Doubletree Hotel last week for the seventh annual Community Quality Day.

The theme of this year's event was building leadership capacity. "The purpose of the event is to demonstrate the community's commitment to improve quality service and leadership in our cities, schools, business and military," said Ron McLemore, a representative for the city.

Each year the city brings in experts to speak to participants on how to enhance quality service in their organization.

"Community Quality Day is an opportunity for us to celebrate and share with each other what we have learned and bring in experts for higher learning opportunities," said McLemore.

The featured speaker of this year's event was Brian Kaznova, who is well known for his consulting work with the Ritz-Carlton Hotel, serving as the only external performance excellence/Baldrige consultant for 10 years.

He received the Baldrige Award twice for his performance as a consultant. He also supplied site-visit consultation to all North American hotels in 1999.

"Values are the foundation without which you cannot have a total quality management system," said Kaznova. "Today I am trying to give the Ritz-Carlton's total management story, its history, and how they use Baldrige criteria."

In his speech, Kaznova talked about the importance of creating a culture within an organization. He focused on several steps, including procedures in training, coaching, value measurements and empowerment.

His speech emphasized that every employee shares equal importance, as well as every customer, and through these

## Target is forgotten children

By Victoria Hecht

Seeing the child of a refugee lose his eyesight because he was denied government medical benefits was more than Miriam Zavala could stand.

As a mother, it tore at her heart. As a paralegal who worked in immigration law, it seemed an injustice.

That's when the Kempville woman decided to take action.

In the early 1990s, Zavala founded Children of Refugees and has literally been on the road ever since. Three days a week, she's up by 7 a.m. and heading off in a seven-person passenger van to pick up those she lovingly calls "her" kids — the children of Hampton Roads refugees whom she transports to various medical appointments and Children's Hospital of the King's Daughters.

As founder of the organization, she leads the team which assists as many as 400 children. Her van is always packed, she said, and a larger vehicle capable of maneuvering a wheelchair would be a godsend.

Zavala is on a mission to raise the \$45,000 she said is necessary to purchase a 25-passenger van for Children of Refugees. The organization serves youngsters from across Hampton Roads.

The desired van — her current one is a 1996 model — is just part of the ongoing battle to get medical care for children of refugees. Immigrants have a tough time, she said, because they must agree to not seek help with work, medical care and housing.

A native of Ecuador who came to the United States as a baby with her parents, Zavala can empathize with the plight of the people she helps.

As part of her volunteer work with Children of Refugees, she talks to hospitals, doctors and businesses to sponsor each child. But care is still expensive, she said, and the organization has recently footed about \$500,000 for expenses such as medicines. The program relies mostly on grants and similar funding to do its work.

"It's like this morning. This little boy who's 4 years old needed a tooth extracted and some other (oral) surgery. We needed \$1,000 and another \$625 for the medication to put him to sleep during the process. It is expensive because the doctor has to do it at the hospital," she explained.

One of Zavala's success stories is Carlos "Evan" Garcia, a 9-year-old diagnosed with a condition similar to a heart murmur.

His mother, Yodira Lopez, said she and the family emigrated from Mexico in 1996 to find a better life. However, the single mother found it difficult to get the medical care she needed for her son because she agreed on her visa application not to seek government help.

Through Children of Refugees, Zavala got Carlos medical attention and still takes him for doctors' appointments every six months. He is returning the favor by volunteering with the organization and participating in fundraisers.

The youth recently sold 150 stuffed

teddy bear key chains for \$2 each to raise money for the new van.

The fundraising is coming along slowly and is disappointing, Zavala said. The organization, a United Way write-in, relies on publicity mostly through churches and word of mouth.

"We've been working on the van project for a year, but we've had very little response," she said.

Zavala also has trouble getting volunteers who are willing to drive the children to medical appointments and outings. Among Children of Refugees' other activities are field trips to theme parks, the beach and community events. The next project is a Christmas party for the youngsters, and sponsors are needed to help foot the cost.

"God has been very good to me," said Zavala, who has three teen-aged sons and is supported in her efforts by husband Carlos. "This is our gift to God."

For information on helping Children of Refugees, call Zavala, 474-1900.



CHILDREN OF REFUGEES. Miriam Zavala, a mother of three, launched Children of Refugees to help Hampton Roads youngsters get medical care denied them because of their parents' status. She is working to raise \$45,000 for a 25-seat passenger van to take children to medical appointments and Children's Hospital of the King's Daughters.

## Fossil day draws collectors

By Bob Rueggeger

Correspondent

In observance of Archeology Month in Virginia, the historic Francis Land House sponsored Artifact and Fossil Identification Day Saturday.

In bags, boxes and bundles, scores of local residents hauled their treasured curiosities to the Land House to have them examined and identified by experts from the Archeological Society of Virginia and the Virginia Department of Historic Resources.

Both Acuff, chief curator with the Department of Historic Resources in Richmond, was among the experts assembled at the Land House at assist local folks in identifying shards from stoneware and ceramic articles. Acuff brought a chronology of ceramics from a variety of historic time periods

for program participants to view and examine.

Beginning with a fragment of a Rhenish Barmann jug excavated at the Great Neck site in Virginia Beach and ending with various ceramics found recently while remodeling the Governor's Mansion in Richmond, Acuff's representative samples spanned more than 250 years of American history.

Reassembled stoneware fragments from a tankard found at the Whittle House site in Norfolk and a reconstructed Delfware plate from Kingsmill were among the most interesting artifacts in Acuff's small but intriguing collection.

"I think this is a really nice event. People get to bring in their objects and talk to some people who are specialists in the field. It's a good experi-

ence," observed Acuff. Mary Brackett brought in a stone axe head, petrified wood, and some fossils that she inherited from her grandfather, a farmer who lived in Glasgow, Montana.

George Ramsey with the Archeological Society of Virginia examined and identified Brackett's axe head. "This is a full groove tool used by Native Americans, probably as far back as 5000 B.C. somewhere in that neighborhood or perhaps a little more recent," said Ramsey. "Nowadays, they call these 'skullcrushers.' It was a tool that you took into battle," he explained. "Hold it for a minute and you'll see that it took a pretty good man to wield it."

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# Commentary

## ELECTION SELECTIONS

### President

"I do solemnly swear that I will faithfully execute the office of President of the United States." One of two men, Albert Arnold Gore or George W. Bush, will take this, the presidential oath.

With only a few days remaining before the election, November 7, the race to the oath cranks down to the final broadside of attack television commercials and the last minute charges and counter-charges between the two candidates.

Governor Bush says President Clinton and his anointed successor, Vice President Gore, are hiding their true government liberalism behind America's economic prosperity, and that they believe voters will tolerate any and all of the excesses of a "new Clinton" administration to preserve economic growth.

Governor Bush says, "Our country will continue to be prosperous and strong if we do the right things. Prosperity alone is simple materialism. Prosperity must have greater purpose."

Gore believes prosperity's purpose is to provide more government programs, more government spending. He has made large, loose campaign pledges of all sorts. It has been said that Gore has promised everything but to have the government to come over and vacuum your home for you.

Back in the real world, Bush is maintaining a consistent campaign with promises to (1) reach across party lines to strengthen and save Social Security, (2) rebuild our military from Clinton-Gore neglect, (3) returning excellence to our schools by putting the focus on results, and (4) cutting taxes which are higher today as a percentage of Gross Domestic Product than at any time since World War II.

Now, with the backdrop of Middle East violence, there is no shortage of problems and opportunities for voters to consider. But it always comes down to one basic issue in any campaign: Which candidate can do the better job. Americans elect a president to run things, to be an unswerving leader. They want results. George W. Bush is the best man for the task. He should take the presidential oath in January. — H.B.

### U.S. Senator

It would be a breakthrough for common sense, if George Allen replaces Charles Robb in the United States Senate. Allen, a sensible conservative, would carry the Virginia banner of free enterprise, lower taxes and educational accountability to Washington.

Early in the campaign, Allen visited every region of the Old Dominion and held dozens of town hall meetings with local residents. "I get invigorated talking to the people of Virginia and hearing their ideas about what they want government to do or stop doing," Allen said. "There is a great deal of wisdom and common sense out here in the real world."

Meanwhile, Robb slides ever closer to the Washington liberals. Not long after Bill Clinton was elected president, Robb said the Clinton-Gore team was making "principled choices" and that he "looks forward to 16 productive years known as the Clinton-Gore years." Robb is one of only a handful of Democrats who has not sought to distance himself from the president.

Allen, Virginia's governor from 1994 to 1998, is seeking to unseat two-term incumbent Robb in one of the most closely watched campaigns in the country. It should be. Robb has supported administration positions on 85 percent of his Senate votes since President Clinton took office in 1993. That record, Allen says, shows that Robb is "out of touch" with most Virginians.

So, forget the campaign gabble. Look at the facts. It is George Allen who is in tune with the feelings of Virginia's common sense majority. George Allen should represent them in the United States Senate. — H.B.

### Letters to the Editor

We welcome letters to the editor from readers who wish to reflect upon or take issue with other views. That's what this page is for, the sharing of opinions: yours, ours and those of our columnists and cartoonists.

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### Letters to the editor

#### Party chairman proud of candidate's positive Congressional campaign

Editor:  
How refreshing! Ed Schrock, a Republican state senator running for Owen Pickett's congressional seat, is running a positive, issue-oriented campaign. How fortunate that we do not have to long endure the negative, mean-spirited attacks from Democrat candidate Jody Wagner's campaign.

It is the highest of hypocrisies for Jody Wagner's friends in the liberal media to attack Ed Schrock when current Democrat Congressman Owen Pickett, as a member of the House of Delegates, raised \$34,500 during the 1986 legislative session while he was also running for Congress.

And Democrats refuse to tell readers that members of Congress routinely raise money while Congress is in session. For Democrats to vilify Sen. Ed Schrock for doing what members of their own party routinely do is intentionally misleading. No wonder voters are cynical and distrustful about the disingenuous, negative attacks from Democrat politicians.

Voters showed their response to these negative tactics by rejecting Frank Drew, Glenn Crowsbar, Clancy Holland, Sam Meekins — the list goes on and on and on.

Ed Schrock is running for Congress to bring principled leadership to Washington, to help rebuild our nation's military, and to work for a reform agenda that empowers families, not bigger government. He has the experience to be an effective Congressman.

Ed is the only candidate in this race who has military experience.

As Sen. John McCain points out, for 24 years Ed Schrock served as an officer in the United States Navy including two tours of duty in Vietnam. He will work to create a new strategic vision for our military, eliminate laws and regulations that discourage outsourcing and efficiency and promote a business-like atmosphere in procurement, deploy a national missile defense system, equip our troops with the most up-to-date weapons in our arsenal and provide our servicemen and women with living wages, guaranteed benefits and better on-base housing and schools.

Ed is the only candidate in this race who has been elected to public office.

Elected to the Virginia Senate in 1995 and 1999, Ed voted to cut the car tax and to eliminate punitive business taxes, to increase funding for our public school system and provide accountability, to improve our health care system by making health care insurance affordable and accessible, and he is a statewide leader on technology issues. His experience as a state senator will benefit him greatly as he tackles the important national issues we face.

On issue after issue Ed Schrock's views better represent the values we share.

Ed supports requiring states that accept federal

#### Her 'one vote' will matter

Editor:  
As a registered Republican voter, I have for many years been voting for the candidates and not for the party. I have prayed for many years that more Americans would inform themselves in an intelligent manner, and do the same.

This year, as always, I will be voting.  
But I will not be voting for either Democrats or Republicans, or for the Socialistic Green Party. None of you will be receiving my vote, as further encouragement to you. My philosophy will no longer cover a vote for the lesser of two evils. In the past, I have sometimes done this to only find, that evil is evil and there is nothing less about it.

Like so many thousands of Americans, I have innocently forwarded the agenda of those who would destroy the freedom of this country by the changing of our constitution or the total abolishment of the constitution, by the promotion of one world government through the United Nations.

As a 61-year-old grandmother of three and a great-grandmother of two, I am frightened to think of the world they may have to grow up in. It appears that because of our involvement with the United Nations, they may no longer live in a free country, protected by a constitution based on their God-given rights.

Recently, while watching the debates between our two presidential candidates, I heard Al Gore state that he thought the Constitution ought to change to suit the times. Since George Bush did not pick up on that statement and disagree, I can only assume that the Republicans endorse the same ludicrous idea. I would like to remind those good Christian men that rights given by God can only be modified or taken away by God. In centuries past, and in some countries today, there are monarchs, dictators and presidents who are playing God every day with the enslavement of people. That is not what I want to know is being left behind for my grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

My vote may be only one vote, but it is my vote — and I will do all I can to make others see how wrong things are going in this country, and how dangerously close to losing our freedom we are at this time.

Read the Constitution of the United Nations and compare it to the Constitution of the United States, and then decide under which you wish to live. Political candidates should beware.

There are a lot of watch dogs like me out there and we are spreading the word.

Janet H. Maxwell  
Chesapeake

#### His vote is for Schrock

Editor:  
We need someone like Ed Schrock in Washington. The Hampton Roads area needs someone with his experience — a naval officer for nearly 25 years, including two tours in Vietnam, a successful investment broker, a community activist for more than a dozen years, and a twice-elected state senator.

The United States Congress is no place for on the job training. Our representative in Congress must have the proven experience to make a positive difference and get the job done starting his very first day on the job.

Let's send someone who fits the bill and not another lawyer! Vote to send Ed Schrock.

Mark P. Cernak Sr.  
Chesapeake

funds be required to adopt their own academic standards, and then test their students to ensure that they are learning. Parents and other taxpayers must know that children are getting a good education. Ed knows we can leave no child behind. Ed Schrock's wife Judy is a Norfolk public school kindergarten teacher. Their son Randy graduated from Princess Anne High School.

Ed supports restoring the long-term solvency of the Social Security system, raising the rate of return to contributors, and maintaining Social Security's "safety net" character. Jody Wagner, like Al Gore, offers no responsible plan to save Social Security from bankruptcy.

Ed will work to make health care insurance more affordable and accessible. He supports a 100 percent expense income tax deduction for health insurance premiums for all taxpayers. This will give individuals and the self-employed the same tax break that large corporations receive for providing health insurance coverage. His plan will help to greatly reduce the number of uninsured Americans. Ed also supports providing prescription drug coverage to seniors through Medicare.

On fiscal matters, Ed Schrock's priorities are clear: pay off the national debt and oppose any effort to return to deficit spending. He will vote to keep the federal budget balanced while providing targeted tax relief. He supports eliminating the inheritance tax, commonly called the "Death Tax" and the marriage tax penalty. Eliminating special interest loopholes in the tax code is a special issue to Sen. John McCain and Ed Schrock strongly agrees with him.

Campaign finance reform is another important issue where Ed Schrock has taken a leadership role. Ed signed the Common Cause Contract for Freedom.

Common Cause calls for, among other things, a complete ban on soft money which are unregulated contributions from corporations, labor unions and wealthy individuals, and for creating an election system that provides meaningful public resources like advertising time for candidates who agree to limit campaign spending. Ed also supports the McCain-Feingold bill if it is amended to treat contributions from unions and corporations equally.

Ed Schrock will represent all of us with strong character, integrity and honesty and he will never forget that he is our public servant.

As recently events have so unfortunately illustrated, our country must always be guard against terrorism and intolerance. November's election holds serious consequences for the future of our great country. Ed Schrock is the only candidate prepared to get to work starting his very first day on the job. He is working hard every day to earn our support, and he would very much appreciate your vote on Nov. 7.

David M. Hummel  
Chairman  
2nd Congressional District  
Republican Committee

#### His vote is for Robb, Gore

Editor:  
I, councilwacher Carl Burns, will vote for Chuck Robb for senator and Al Gore for president Nov. 7. Robb's service and knowledge of government are well known. He pledges to protect women's rights and Social Security. He has love of family, and his military service is well known. George Allen has no service. We hear he spent lots of time at that Yankee college playing tidily winks — that was the rage then. Look at that smirk of George W. Bush's. Reminds me of my friend, Nade, when he cheated the boys at cards — and ended up in jail!

Carl Burns  
Chesapeake

#### Vote the ballot against poverty

Editor:  
I encourage you to endorse candidates with anti-poverty planks in their platforms. Money and power wield influence in favor of the rich. Voices need to speak in favor of the poor. Welfare reform over the past several years has reduced the number of persons on welfare. The real test is for child poverty to go down. Currently, two-thirds of the people on welfare are children. The level of child poverty is higher than it was in 1979.

The answers might best be found through effective education and training, extending the time limit for services to include the time spent in education and training, extending support services such as child care and transportation and housing, and enabling persons to receive a living wage when they become employed.

Rev. Richard A. Dinges  
Virginia Beach

#### Back Bay gets bi-partisan help

Editor:  
Our beautiful bountiful Back Bay will continue to be protected thanks to Congress, who appropriated \$500,000 for fiscal year 2001. This money will allow the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service to continue to buy property from willing sellers in the Back Bay watershed.

Since 1990, Congress has appropriated \$14 million from the Land and Water Conservation Fund for the Back Bay Refuge expansion project. To date the Fish and Wildlife Service has purchased more than 4,000 acres of a 6,300-acre project from willing sellers at fair market value. This will provide a safe haven for migratory waterfowl and wildlife. By working together, we can balance the wants of people with the needs of wildlife.

Friends of Back Bay wish to thank Sens. John Warner and Charles Robb for their continuing bipartisan support of this worthy project. In addition Friends of Back Bay want to thank the following groups who have continued to support this expansion: National Audubon Society, The Wilderness Society, Defenders of Wildlife, National Wildlife Refuge Association, Virginia Beach Audubon Society and Back Bay Restoration Foundation.

Molly P. Brown  
President  
Friends of Back Bay

### Clinton, Grover Cleveland share many similarities

Bill Clinton was not the only draft-dodging sexual deviate to become president of the United States.

Grover Cleveland, a 260-pound slob, was the other one. He was called upon 1863 to fight in the Civil War, but he exercised his legal right under the Conscription Act and paid a young Polish immigrant named George Benninsky \$150 to fight in his place.

While the war was on,

Cleveland built up his law practice in Buffalo, N.Y. and spent a great deal of time eating, drinking and gambling.

He is the only president to get married in the White House. He wed his 21-year-old widow, 28 years his junior, provoking another scandal.

Prior to his becoming president, Cleveland was sheriff of Erie County and personally hanged murderers. He finally returned to private law practice. Around that time he became involved with a widow, Mrs. Maria Halpin. She was 36, he 37. She gave birth to a son, Cleveland admitted paternity. Mrs. Halpin demanded marriage. Cleveland provided only child support.

In the 1884 presidential election, the Republican candidate was James G. Blaine, and the battle between Cleveland and Blaine was one of the dirtiest campaigns in American history.

The story about Cleveland's affair with Mrs. Halpin and the birth of a child leaked out. The campaign dissolved into a mud-slinging match. The Republican would yell, "Mama, where's my Pa?" The Democrats would counter with, "Gone to the White House, ha, ha, ha."

Cleveland won the election by 219 electoral votes to his opponent's 182, although he was ahead in the popular vote.

Cleveland's former law partner was killed in a buggy accident. At the time he left a widow and an 11-year-old daughter, Frances, who Cleveland took under his wing. No one suspected that his interest in his young charge was anything more than avuncular.

Frances grew up and attended Wells College. Upon her graduation, Cleveland presided. On June 2, 1886, President Cleveland and 21-year-old Frances were married in the Blue Room in the White House.

It's amazing the parallel between Bill Clinton and Grover Cleveland. They were both draft dodgers with an affinity for young women. Records do not indicate that Cleveland was as obsessed with sex as much as Bill Clinton, but both of them had the morals of an alley cat, and were cowards besides.

Welcome to the real world.

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## Project Impact: A nat'l program for disaster management

Wanting to reduce the loss of life and property from a disaster, Virginia Beach, Virginia Department of Emergency Management, Hampton Roads Planning District Commission and the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) all signed the Project Impact partnership agreement March 23 at the Hurricane Expo held in Virginia Beach.



### The Mayor's Report

Mayor Meyer Oberdorf

**With Virginia Beach Project Impact, grant funds will be used to start a new disaster model, one that focuses on disaster prevention and not primarily on response and recovery initiatives.**

milestones have been met in the past year.

■ Project Impact has signed more than 55 public and private partners in the program.

■ Four project teams have been formed to educate the public, evaluate the hazards that are specific to our city, organize business to protect their investment and our economy and continue partnership building.

■ Partnerships with Habitat for Humanity here in the city have been dedicated to build homes that are hardened and disaster resistant.

■ City government has taken a leadership role by initiating measures to harden future critical facilities build by the city government.

■ Partnered with other city agencies to coordinate FEMA's Hazard Mitigation Grant Program which recently awarded \$1.5 million to harden critical facilities in Virginia Beach.

■ Partnered with Tidewater Builders Association and sponsored the Hurricane Expo in conjunction with the Home and Garden Show at the Virginia Beach Pavilion Convention Center.

It is hoped that by not following the traditional model of response and recovery, but by embracing the concept of prevention, our community will continue to be pro-active and not vulnerable to the traditional losses associated with natural disasters.

Through partnerships, we all achieve a significant benefit that could not otherwise be achieved. And with the signing of the Project Impact agreement on March 23, Virginia Beach will be an even more disaster resistant community in the new millennium.

If you would like to be a partner with Project Impact and join in making Virginia Beach disaster-resistant, call the Virginia Beach Office of Emergency Management, 427-4228.

Mark Piland of the city's fire department and Lisa Chandler White, office of the mayor contributed to this column.

By Victoria Hecht

Editor

Mary Blunt isn't even sure if young people today know what a volunteer candy stripper is. But it was that humble beginning that introduced her to the medical field.

Today, she is president of Sentara LifeCare Corp. and one of Hampton Roads' Outstanding Professional Women of the Year. Blunt oversees the corporation's seven nursing care centers, including one in North Carolina, three assisted-living facilities, a hospital-based skilled nursing facility, adult day care center and mobile meals programs.

"From the time I was 12 and a candy stripper — a term our kids will never know — in a hospital in my hometown I knew I wanted to do something in health care. Then I got into high school and saw some brochures on physical therapy and knew that's what I wanted to be," she said.

Blunt earned a bachelor's degree in physical therapy from the University of Illinois Medical Center of Chicago in 1978 and pursued the field.

"After a while I knew I had done everything I wanted and needed to do with that field and wanted to try something in administration," she said.

She went back to school, earning a master's degree in health administration from the Washington University School of Medicine in St. Louis, Missouri. Then, Blunt immediately assumed an administrative residency at Sentara Norfolk General Hospital.

She has been with Sentara Healthcare since then, including positions as administrative director of medical records and administrative director of radiology, both at Sentara Norfolk General.

In 1992, Blunt became vice president of operations for Sentara Bayside Hospital, serving in that position until 1997. That year, she was named vice president of operations for the corporations Southside hospitals.

Last year, Blunt was named president of operations for Sentara LifeCare Corp., which employs 1,100 people and boasts a revenue budget of \$55 million. Among LifeCare's services are skilled/rehabilitative nursing care, ventilator care, an Alzheimer's unit, and the Sentara Rehab Network, with seven outpatient rehabilitation centers which Blunt is credited for developing.

Blunt manages to do all this while raising 6-year-old twins and being an active part of her community.

"I have a very supportive family," she said, giving the most credit to husband Keith.

She acknowledges that the hours are long, "but I'm always home to put my kids to bed."

Being named one of the region's Outstanding Professional Women came as a surprise to Blunt, who works in Virginia Beach and calls Great Bridge home.

"The day I found out, I was having a management meeting here at work and one of the managers came in with my boss and these roses. I thought, 'Wow, who are they for?' Then they started reading about how I was voted as one of the Hampton Roads Outstanding Professional Women of the Year. It's hard to keep a secret from me, and I can't believe they did. I was totally shocked."

Criteria for the award include excellence in leadership ability, demonstrated community service and outstanding professional accomplishments. More than 150 letters were submitted for consideration this year and about a dozen recipients named.

"It makes you feel good to know you're a role model for professional women," said Blunt, whose activities have included the United Way board of directors and membership in Big Brothers/Big Sisters.

She also volunteers with the American Cancer Society to promote women's health issues such as breast cancer. She was instrumental in obtaining a grant for Eastern Virginia Medical School that provides free mammograms for indigent women. She also holds memberships in the American Physical Therapy Association and the Society of Ambulatory Care Professionals.

However, serving as a mentor to rising young professionals — especially those in health care administration — means a great deal to Blunt.

## Up close and personal

### Mary Blunt: Devoted to health



"I've always worked hard at my profession to improve health care services and increase patient satisfaction. In doing so, I've tried to be a positive role model for others. I'm very committed to helping young people — both on my staff and in the community — achieve their full potential. To me, that is the real essence of community service. After all, charity begins at home."

Name: Mary Blunt.

What brought you to this area: I came here directly from graduate school to Sentara for an administrative residency.

Hometown: Canton, Ill.

Age: 44.

Nickname: None.

Occupation: President, Sentara LifeCare.

Marital Status: Married to Keith.

Children: Twins James and Sophia Blunt, 6.

Favorite movies: "Soul Food" and "The Matrix."

Favorite authors: Stephen King and Stephen Covey.

Favorite magazines: People, Modern Health, Ebony.

Favorite night out on the town:

Walk on the beach under the stars and moon with my husband.

Favorite restaurant: Aldo's.

Favorite meal: Prime rib.

Best thing about myself: My children.

Pets: Dog.

Hobbies: Walking and biking.

Ideal vacation: A trip to the Australian Outback.

First job: Paper route at age 13.

Least liked job: Paper route at age 13.

Favorite sports teams: Chicago Bears and Chicago Cubs.

Favorite musicians: Yolanda Adams and Luther Vandross.

How I would like to be remembered: As a Christian who took time to help others.

If I received \$1 million: I would probably give most of it away and save some for my family.

If I had 10 minutes on national television: I would speak about a cure for breast cancer and some resolution to the HIV problem in Africa.

## YMCA wins \$250,000 for Silver Beach plans

The YMCA of South Hampton Roads has been awarded a \$250,000 grant from The Kresge Foundation to assist in completing the funding for the \$4.8 million Camp Silver Beach facility, a year-round facility located on the Chesapeake Bay.

"We are thrilled to receive a grant from such a well-known, prestigious organization," says Bob Boyd, chairman of the YMCA of South Hampton Roads board of directors.

"This money will go a long way in helping us reach our goal in completing Camp Silver Beach. This year the camp operated on a limited scale. We are now hoping to complete the camp by 2001, which will allow us to bring in approximately 300 campers every week."

The Kresge Foundation is a nationally recognized, independent foundation that awards grants to organizations to assist in the construction or renovation of facilities and the purchase of major capital equipment or real estate. Grants are

issued on a challenge basis requiring the organization to raise the remaining funds to ensure projects are completed to those awarded the grant.

"To actually obtain the grant, we need to raise the remaining money needed to complete Camp Silver Beach project, which is approximately \$670,000," says Bruce Bradley, capital campaign chairman and the 1998-1999-board chairman for the YMCA of South Hampton Roads.

"The funds have to be raised by July 2001 but we are confident that we can do this. The camp is a wonderful accomplishment toward the YMCA's goal to build stronger communities and I think people see it as a worthwhile cause."

Camp Silver Beach spans 151 acres along the Chesapeake Bay, with 1,200 feet of pristine shoreline. It is open to children between the ages of 8 and 16 during the summer months and is dedicated to family campers and church groups during the remainder of the year. The facilities include swimming pools, a 130-foot fishing pier, The Virginian-Pilot Marina and Sailing Center, a covered outdoor pavilion, an amphitheater and the Rescue Course, Alpine Tower II and giant swing to allow groups to test their physical agility and teamwork skills.

For more information about the fundraising efforts for Camp Silver Beach or other YMCA of South Hampton Roads' projects call the development director Rusty Youmans, 624-9622.

## St. Andrew's Society meets

The Saint Andrew's Society of Tidewater will meet and dine at 6:30 p.m. Monday at Frankie's Place for Ribs, 5200 Fairfield Shopping Center. Prospective members are welcome to attend also. For additional information call, 430-2646 or 721-3052.



### They're 'booking it'

The library assistants for first semester at Princess Anne Elementary, front from left, are: Sarah Wellington, Jesse Mercer and Brandon Showell. Second row: Jessica Bacon, Molly Nance, Ashley White, Dakota Wray and Adam Tucker.

## Beach mounted officers take home contest honors

The Virginia Beach Police Department's Mounted Police Unit, led by Sgt. Diane Lowman, participated in the 17th annual National Equestrian Mounted Patrol Competition earlier this month in Morris County, N.J. The event featured mounted patrol units from the United States and Canada.

The Virginia Beach Police Mounted Unit entered with eight riders and their horses.

In the Uniform and Mount competition, an event that judges the officers' uniform, the horse and the rider's equipment, Master Police Officer Rob Hillers and his horse, Sadie, took first place honors.

The event, which included 21 entries, has been dominated in the past by the Royal Canadian Mounted Police. A personal trophy for Hillers and Sadie and a perpetual trophy for the mounted unit was awarded in the competition.

The equestrian competition fea-

tured 102 mounted officers. MPO Tommy Shortridge took fifth place honors. Three of the Beach's mounted officers — MPO Hillers, MPO Chuck Lauchner and MPO Dean Nickodemus — finished in the top 20.

## AARP 992 steps up meeting date

Virginia Beach Chapter 992 of AARP will meet Nov. 21, one week earlier than its regular meeting date. The gathering will be at the Bow Creek Recreation Center, 3427 Club House Rd., at 1 p.m. Election of officers will take place. Refreshments will be served. Plans for the installation of officers will be finalized at this meeting. For additional information call, 420-1788.



**MAKING A DIFFERENCE.** Virginia Beach Girl Scouts participated in Make A Difference Day Saturday by cleaning up the yard at the Judeo-Christian Outreach Shelter for the homeless.

Photo by Jason Norman

## Youngsters sweat while they 'make a difference' for others

By Jason Norman  
Correspondent

Hundreds of Hampton Roads youth participated in Make A Difference Day programs Saturday, giving aid to the less fortunate in Norfolk, Chesapeake and Virginia Beach.

Throughout the morning and afternoon, young people aged 12 to 21 helped feed the hungry, worked with animals and cleaned up the environment.

One humanitarian act took place at the Judeo-Christian Outreach Center in Virginia Beach, where members of the Girl Scouts raked up thousands of leaves to clean up the homeless shelter.

"The girls did a beautiful job, because we had many leaves out here," said Gayle Dames, a resident of the homeless shelter for four months.

"The girls are truly a blessing, because sometimes residents around here can't always get around to doing everything. We need young ones to come here and show us how to work again."

"We all appreciate the girls coming out here, because they did a really great job," said resident Richard Matthews. "A lot of us work during the day, and we can't get out here. But they came in and

cleaned everything up well."

"Once the girls get a little older, they don't always want to do 'little kid stuff' like arts and crafts," explained troop leader Terry Frank, "so we tried to get them involved with something like the 'Make A Difference Day.'"

"I thought that we'd have some problems, because teenagers don't always go for manual labor," Frank joked, "but they've worked really hard today. I'm having fun, too."

Indeed, the troop was tired but satisfied after compiling a mountain of bags of leaves.

"I had as much fun as you can have raking leaves," said Frank's 15-year-old daughter, Ashley. "I don't ever want to see a rake or a bag of leaves again. But it makes you feel good to help others. You really feel like you're doing something special."

"I had a good time out here today, raking leaves and helping these people out," said Krystal Dunbar, 15. "The residents here were really nice. They came out here, and we drank sodas and ate cookies with them."

However, Frank was quick to point out, the troop participates in all sorts of community service activities.

"This is our first year with Make

A Difference Day," she admitted, "but we do all sorts of things for the community. For children's birthdays, for example, we give them a 'Birthday Box.' We put cake mix, frosting, spoons, hats, napkins, candy and a little bear inside a box, wrap it up and send it to children at centers like the Judeo-Christian Center. It lets them have a birthday while they're in the shelter."

"The Girl Scouts have done a pretty good job," said Kirk Welch, men's program director at the shelter. "The problem is that when the leaves fall this time of year, they don't stop."

"We are a homeless shelter that provides a meal for the residents and the community," he continued. "We also provide a education to include preparation for a GED. We have a computer lab that allows work on the Internet, setting up resumes and cover letters. We also have some substance-abuse meetings and counseling sessions."

"We do a variety of inakes for the homeless, because about 90 percent of the people here have had problems with drugs or alcohol, and about 5 to 10 percent have some mental health issues. We also provide a food bank for local churches, in which we give out food that was donated to us by the community."

"Residents can be here for different amounts of time, usually ranging between a week and a few months. What we do is to get them in, find out why they're homeless, and find out what their issues are. Once we've done that, we get them into a treatment plan. We help them to save their money, pay their bills and get back into society as a whole."

"We have kids' clubs from Seatack and Cooke elementary schools, where we help them do their homework, tutor them in school and try to provide mentors for them."

Many of the residents spoke highly of their surroundings.

"I think that this center is a blessing," asserted Dames. "I'm really enjoying my stay here."

"When I came here eight years ago, I had a problem with alcohol," Matthews remembered.

"But I've been sober since then. Right now, I'm the supervisor for the men's dorm at nighttime. Helping out other people is keeping me straight. This place helps out people with their problem, it helps get them a better life than they had."

Make A Difference Day was held under the auspices of Volunteers Hampton Roads.

## Bless the children, bless the bears for going extra step

By Judith Allison  
Special to the Sun

There was an unusual blessing Sunday at 300-member St. Francis Episcopal Church on South Rosemont Road in Virginia Beach, where a "bear tree" stands in the sanctuary, its branches laden with teddy bears.

The Rev. Susan S. Keller blessed 65 to 70 stuffed animals collected by the young people of the church under the guidance of Ben Blanchard, director of music and Christian education.

St. Francis Episcopal Church wasn't always in the bear-blessing business.

It started this summer when Blanchard contacted the Citizens' Committee to Protect the Elderly (CCPE) to see if his summer youth group could go with CCPE volunteers into a nearby nursing home to visit elderly members of the community.

Judith Allison, community service projects director, was happy to help.

Working with activities director Helen Watkins at Riverpointe Rehab and Healthcare Center on Bonney Road, Allison put together a music and games program for the 15 young volunteers, ranging in ages from kindergarten to high school, who spent most of the day at the long-term care facility.

It was a huge success with the residents, a highlight being the distribution of stuffed animals to each person from the Citizens' Committee by the children. When they returned home, the children decided to collect bears and stuffed animals to donate to the Citizens' Committee.

Blanchard presented the blessed stuffed animals to CCPE on behalf of the children of St. Francis' Church.

The Citizens' Committee to Pro-



**BEARY NICE.** St. Francis Episcopal Church and the Citizens Committee to Protect the Elderly teamed up to bring some "bear cheer" to nursing home residents. Pictured, from left, are Ben Blanchard, the Rev. Susan Keller and Shelby Bowen, a fourth grader at Plaza Elementary School.

tect the Elderly is a non-profit volunteer organization in its fifth year of service to Hampton Roads.

In addition to inviting churches, businesses, schools and youth groups of all kinds to join them in presenting community service projects in area nursing homes and as-

sisted living facilities, CCPE also offers a free Volunteer Visitor Program for families who would like additional visitors for their loved one, or for residents who have no family or regular visitors. To volunteer call, 498-8600, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., Monday through Friday.

## City media, communications group wins SAVVY honor

The Media and Communications Group in the Virginia Beach City Manager's Office recently won the 2000 SAVVY Award at the 12th annual 3CMA — City-County Communications and Marketing Association — SAVVY Awards Competition.

This national award, 3CMA's highest honor, was presented for the Best Communications Plan. The communications plan recognized by 3CMA was developed by Emma A. Inman, APR, media and communications manager with the city of Virginia Beach, in conjunction with the Hampton Roads Y2K Citizen InfoSource communication initiative.

In 1999, a group of 12 Hampton Roads jurisdictions joined together to form the Y2K Citizen InfoSource to address citizen information needs about the Y2K bug and preparation for the closing of the millennium. Inman served as chair of the public information subcommittee which developed the plan.

Providing input into the plan development were the message content committee chairperson, David Sullivan (chief information officer with the city of Virginia Beach) and emergency preparedness subcommittee chair, Mark Marchbank (deputy coordinator of emergency management with the city of Virginia Beach) and about 70 group members from throughout the region.

The SAVVY Awards Competition is sponsored by 3CMA in cooperation with the National League of Cities.

Hampton Roads Y2K Citizen InfoSource participants included the cities of Chesapeake, Hampton, Newport News, Norfolk, Portsmouth, Suffolk, Virginia Beach, Williamsburg and Isle of Wight, Gloucester, James City and York Counties. Additional members included the American Red Cross, utilities and healthcare providers as well as the military community.



### 'Meet Me in St. Louis'

The Encore Players will present the turn-of-the-century musical "Meet Me in St. Louis" Nov. 15-18 at 8 p.m., Nov. 18 at 1 p.m., and Nov. 19 at 9 p.m. at the Naval Amphibious Base, Little Creek. Tickets are \$10 for adults, \$8 for active duty service members, \$7 for seniors and \$6 for children 12 and under. Tickets are sold at the theater box office before each show, and advance tickets are available at the ITT Ticket Office at the base. All performances are open to the general public though Gate 5 at Shore Drive and Independence Boulevard. Call 460-5152 for reservations and information.

## German glass blowers showcase talents

The centuries-old art of blowing glass will be exquisitely demonstrated as German artisans in traditional costumes wield their skills on Nov. 4-7 at McDonald Garden Centers in Virginia Beach, Chesapeake and Hampton.

The adroit craftsmen take rods of glass heated into molten liquid and then delicately blow them into life as snowmen, reindeer and other Christmas ornaments and heir-

looms. The works of art are then hand-painted in minute detail.

This season marks the fifth annual visit by German glass blowers, who travel across the country performing their art. Husband and wife team Marlena and Thomas Horn continue a tradition of making glass Christmas ornaments that dates to the mid-18th century in the Thuringian town of Lauscha, Germany. As in recent years, the event promises to attract a large turnout of people seeking signed, made-on-site custom orders that make wonderful gifts.

Demonstrations will take place from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday and from noon to 6 p.m. Sunday at McDonald Garden Center at 1144 Independence Blvd. in Virginia Beach; from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday at McDonald Garden Center at 3925 Portsmouth Blvd. in Chesapeake; and from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Tuesday at McDonald Garden Center at 1139 W. Pembroke Ave. in Hampton.

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## EDUCATION BRIEFS

■ Kempville Middle School is holding its annual book fair in the school library through Friday, Nov. 10. Shopping hours are from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. It will also be open Tuesday, Nov. 7 (Election Day) from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. and Wednesday, Nov. 8 from 5 to 7 p.m. Parent volunteers are still needed. Call Linda Goullick, 495-6131.

■ Pembroke Meadows Elementary's Fall Scholastic Book Fair is Nov. 13-17 from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. and Nov. 20-21 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. The book fair promotes learning while raising money for special school projects. Call 473-5020 for more information.

## AARP plans election, program

Kempville Chapter 4212 of AARP will hold its officer election Nov. 8 at the Kempville Recreation Center, Room 117, at 10 a.m. A program on holiday fire safety will be presented. All persons aged 50 and over are invited to attend. Refreshments will be served. For additional information call, 495-0529.

## LEGAL NOTICES

### NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Proposed exemption of King's Grant Community League, Inc. from local real and personal property taxation

On Tuesday, November 14, 2000, at 2:00 p.m. in the Council Chamber on the second floor of the City Hall Building, Municipal Center, Virginia Beach, Virginia, the City Council of the City of Virginia Beach, Virginia will hold a public hearing on a resolution entitled "A Resolution Supporting Legislation Which Will Designate Real and Personal Property Owned by King's Grant Community League, Inc., as Being Exempt From State and Local Real and Personal Property Taxation."

King's Grant Community League, Inc., owns real property located in the City of Virginia Beach assessed at \$19,600 in tax year 2000-2001, and taxes on this property are \$243.12 in tax year 2000-2001. King's Grant Community League, Inc., owns no personal property in the City of Virginia Beach, and thus no personal property taxes have been assessed against or paid by the organization. A copy of the resolution is on file in the office of the City Clerk. If you are physically disabled, or hearing or visually impaired, and you need assistance at this meeting, please call 427-4305 Voice/TDD.

Ruth Hodges Smith, MMC  
City Clerk

### Public Notice

Virginia:  
The regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Virginia Beach will be held in the Council Chambers of the City Hall Building, Municipal Center, Princess Anne Station, Virginia Beach, Virginia, on Tuesday, November 14, 2000 at 2:00 p.m., at which time the following applications will be heard:

### MODIFICATION OF CONDITIONS:

DISTRICT 2 - KEMPSVILLE  
1. An Ordinance upon Application of Brown Building Corporation, Ronald K. Brown, President, for a modification of proffers placed on the application for a change of zoning district classification from R-5D to Conditional B-2 on July 13, 1993 (GPIN #1477-20-5567). Said parcel is located at 4847 Dolton Drive, DISTRICT 2 - KEMPSVILLE.

### CHANGE OF ZONING DISTRICT CLASSIFICATION:

DISTRICT 3 - ROSE HALL  
2. An Ordinance upon Application of Checked Flag for a Change of Zoning District Classification from R-10 Residential District and B-2 Community Business District on the west side of N. Lynnhaven Road, south of Virginia Beach Boulevard (GPIN #1497-35-4783; #1497-35-4693). The proposed zoning classification change to Conditional B-2 is for commercial land use. The Comprehensive Plan recommends the majority of this parcel for use as suburban residential/low densities that are compatible with single family use in accordance with other Plan policies. Said parcel is located at 263 and 267 N. Lynnhaven Road and

contains 40,075 square feet. DISTRICT 3 - ROSE HALL.

CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT:  
3. An Ordinance upon Application of Checked Flag for a Conditional Use Permit for motor vehicle sales (expansion) on the west side of N. Lynnhaven Road, south of Virginia Beach Boulevard (GPIN #1497-35-4783; #1497-35-4693). Said parcel is located at 263 and 267 N. Lynnhaven Road and contains 40,075 square feet. DISTRICT 3 - ROSE HALL.

DISTRICT 2 - KEMPSVILLE  
4. An Ordinance upon Application of Eric Johnson / AIA Automotive Inc., for a Conditional Use Permit for a bulk storage yard and an automobile repair garage at the southeast corner of Cleveland Street and Pennsylvania Avenue (GPIN #1467-94-2510). Said parcel contains 18,750 square feet. DISTRICT 2 - KEMPSVILLE.

DISTRICT 5 - LYNNAHVEN  
5. Application of Edwin S. Epstein, MD, for an enlargement in a nonconforming use on property located at the southwest corner of 60th Street and Ocean Front Avenue (GPIN #219-81-1615-0102). Said parcel is located at 106 60th Street (Unit 106B) and contains 8,750 square feet. DISTRICT 5 - LYNNAHVEN.

DISTRICT 6 - BEACH  
6. Application of Sandy Jackson for an enlargement in a nonconforming use on property located at the southeast corner of 22nd Street and Baltic Avenue (GPIN #1467-94-2510). Said parcel is located at 430 22nd Street and contains 9,100 square feet. DISTRICT 6 - BEACH.

All interested parties are invited to attend.  
Ruth Hodges Smith, MMC  
City Clerk  
If you are physically disabled or visually impaired and need assistance at this meeting, please call the CITY CLERK'S OFFICE at 427-4303; Hearing impaired, call TDD only 427-4305 (TDD - Telephonic Device for the Deaf).

### Public Notice

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING  
Proposed exemption of American Environment Foundation from local real and personal property taxation

On Tuesday, November 14, 2000, at 2:00 p.m. in the Council Chamber on the second floor of the City Hall Building, Municipal Center, Virginia Beach, Virginia, the City Council of the City of Virginia Beach, Virginia, will hold a public hearing on a resolution entitled "A Resolution Supporting Legislation Which Will Designate Real and Personal Property Owned by American Environment Foundation as Being Exempt From State and Local Real and Personal Property Taxation." American Environment Foundation owns real property located in the City of Virginia Beach assessed at \$261,434 in tax year 2000-2001, and taxes on this property are \$318.50 in tax year 2000-2001. American Environment Foundation owns personal property located in the City of Virginia Beach with an estimated value of \$5,000, the taxes on this personal property in tax year 2000 would be approximately \$74. A copy of the resolution is on file in the Office of the City Clerk. If you are physically disabled, or hearing, or visually impaired, and you need assistance at this meeting, please call 427-4305 Voice/TDD.

Ruth Hodges Smith, MMC  
City Clerk

### Public Notice

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING  
Proposed exemption of the Friends School from local

real and personal property taxation  
On Tuesday, November 14, 2000, at 2:00 p.m. in the Council Chamber on the second floor of the City Hall Building, Municipal Center, Virginia Beach, Virginia, the City Council of the City of Virginia Beach, will hold a public hearing on a resolution entitled "A Resolution Supporting Legislation Which Will Designate Real and Personal Property Owned by the Friends School as Being Exempt From State and Local Real and Personal Property Taxation." The Friends School is currently exempt from taxation on the real and personal property used by its school, pursuant to the Constitution of Virginia, Article X, §6. The exemption is sought for real and personal property used to run "Things Unlimited," a thrift store owned and operated by the Friends School and supports the school. The real property owned by the Friends School used for the thrift store has an assessed value of \$353,700, the taxes on this property in tax year 2000-01 are \$4315. The Friends School owns business personal

property used in the thrift store that has an estimated value of \$25,000; the estimated taxes on this personal property in tax year 2000 would be \$370. A copy of the resolution is on file in the office of the City Clerk. If you are physically disabled, or hearing or visually impaired, and you need assistance at this meeting, please call 427-4305 Voice/TDD.

Ruth Hodges Smith, MMC  
City Clerk

### Public Notice

TRUSTEE SALE  
726 Alder Circle  
Virginia Beach, VA

In execution of a Deed of Trust from Christopher P. Jonsson and Tammy Lynn Jonsson dated September 27, 1996 and recorded in the Clerk's Office, Circuit Court, City of Virginia Beach, Virginia, in Deed Book 3665, page 1180, securing a loan which was originally \$66,002.00. Default having occurred in the payment of the Note thereby secured and at the request of the holder of said Note, the undersigned Substitute Trustees will offer for sale at public auction at the front steps of the Municipal Building #1, near the corner of Princess Anne & North Landing, Virginia Beach, Virginia on December 1, 2000 at 8:00 A.M., the property described in said Deed of Trust, located at the above address and briefly described as:

Lot 36, Block A on that certain plat entitled "Subdivision of Timberlake," Section 4, Kempsville, Virginia Beach, Virginia." Tax Map #1476593060000.

The property will be conveyed by Special Warranty Deed, subject to all existing easements, restrictions and any other conditions that may affect title to the property. The Noteholder reserves the right to bid at the sale.

TERMS: CASH: A bidder's deposit of \$6,800.00, cash or certified check, will be required at the time of sale with the settlement and full payment of the purchase price within (15) fifteen days from the date of the sale. Additional terms will be announced at the time of sale and the successful bidder will be required to execute and deliver to the Substitute Trustee a memorandum or contract of the sale at the conclusion of bidding.

This notice is an attempt to collect on a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose. Loan Type: FHA.

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FOR INFORMATION

Between 8 - 11 AM  
Nectar Projects, Inc.  
Substitute Trustees  
751 Miller Drive, Suite G1  
Leesburg, Virginia 20175  
(703) 777-8619

### Public Notice

TRUSTEE SALE  
309 Sunflower Court  
Virginia Beach, VA

In execution of a Deed of Trust from Lydia Haley dated October 14, 1997 and recorded in the Clerk's Office, Circuit Court, City of Virginia Beach, Virginia, in Deed Book 3799, page 923, securing a loan which was originally \$74,795.00. Default having occurred in the payment of the Note thereby secured, and at the request of the holder of said Note, the undersigned Substitute Trustees will offer for sale at public auction at the front steps of the Municipal Building #1, near the corner of Princess Anne & North Landing, Virginia Beach, Virginia on December 1, 2000 at 8:04 A.M., the property described in said Deed of Trust, located at the above address and briefly described as:

Lot 12, on that plat entitled "Subdivision of Reagan Woods, Lynnhaven Borough, Virginia Beach, Virginia." Tax Map #14978780618000

The property will be conveyed by Special Warranty Deed, subject to all existing easements, restrictions and any other conditions that may affect title to the property. The Noteholder reserves the right to bid at the sale.

TERMS: CASH: A bidder's deposit of \$7,200.00, cash or certified check, will be required at the time of sale with the settlement and full payment of the purchase price within (15) fifteen days from the date of the sale. Additional terms will be announced at the time of sale and the successful bidder will be required to execute and deliver to the Substitute Trustee a memorandum or contract of the sale at the conclusion of bidding.

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Leesburg, Virginia 20175  
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### Public Notice

TRUSTEE SALE  
4653 Boxford Road  
Virginia Beach, VA

In execution of a Deed of Trust from Orkan Wynn Bond dated May 31, 1996 and recorded in the Clerk's Office, Circuit Court, City of Virginia Beach, Virginia, in Deed Book 3623, page 1599, securing a loan which was originally \$118,900.00. Default having occurred in the payment of the Note thereby secured, and at the request of the holder of said Note, the undersigned Substitute Trustees will offer for sale at public auction at the front steps of the Municipal Building #1, near the corner of Princess Anne & North Landing, Virginia Beach, Virginia on November 17, 2000 at 8:03 A.M., the property described in said Deed of Trust, located at the above address and briefly described as:

Lot 1, Block C, as shown on that certain plat entitled "Subdivision of Salem Woods, Section Seventeen Part-one." Tax Map #14752681310000

The property will be conveyed by Special Warranty Deed, subject to all existing easements, restrictions and any other conditions that may affect title to the property. The Noteholder reserves the right to bid at the sale.

TERMS: CASH: A bidder's deposit of \$11,400.00, cash or certified check, will be required at the time of sale with the settlement and full payment of the purchase price within (15) fifteen days from the date of the sale. Additional terms will be announced at the time of sale and the successful bidder will be required to execute and deliver to the Substitute Trustee a memorandum or contract of the sale at the conclusion of bidding.

This notice is an attempt to collect on a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose. Loan Type: Conventional

NP007679  
FOR INFORMATION

Between 8 - 11 AM  
Nectar Projects, Inc.  
Substitute Trustees  
751 Miller Drive, Suite G1  
Leesburg, Virginia 20175  
(703) 777-8619

### Public Notice

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING  
Proposed exemption of the Conspiracy of Silence Ministries International from Local real and personal property taxation

On Tuesday, November 14, 2000, at 2:00 p.m. in the Council Chamber on the second floor of the City Hall Building, Municipal Center, Virginia Beach, Virginia, the City Council of the City of Virginia Beach, Virginia, will hold a public hearing on a resolution entitled "A Resolution Supporting Legislation Which Will Designate Real and Personal Property Owned by The Conspiracy of Silence Ministries International as Being Exempt From State and Local Real and Personal Property Taxation."

The Conspiracy of Silence Ministries International owns no real property located in the City of Virginia Beach so no real estate taxes have been assessed against the organization. The conspiracy of Silence Ministries International owns personal property located in the City of Virginia Beach with an assessed value of \$6,350; the taxes on this personal property in tax year 2000 are \$234.95. A copy of the resolution is on file in the office of the City Clerk. If you are physically disabled, or hearing or visually impaired, and you need assistance at this meeting, please call 427-4305 Voice/TDD.

Ruth Hodges Smith, MMC  
City Clerk

### Public Notice

TRUSTEE SALE  
3626 Chimney Creek Drive  
Virginia Beach, VA

In execution of a Deed of Trust from Christopher T. Lynch dated April 25, 1995 and recorded in the Clerk's Office, Circuit Court, City of Virginia Beach, Virginia, in Deed Book 3491, page 1712, securing a loan which was originally \$64,315.00. Default having occurred in the payment of the Note thereby secured, and at the request of the holder of said Note, the undersigned Substitute Trustees

will offer for sale at public auction at the front steps of the Municipal Building #1, near the corner of Princess Anne & North Landing, Virginia Beach, Virginia on December 1, 2000 at 8:01 A.M., the property described in said Deed of Trust, located at the above address and briefly described as:

Lot 5, in Block Q, as shown on that certain plat entitled "Subdivision of Townhomes at Chimney Hill, Section five, Kempville Borough, Virginia Beach, Virginia." Tax Map #1486-35-8105-0000

The property will be conveyed by Special Warranty Deed, subject to all existing easements, restrictions and any other conditions that may affect title to the property. The Noteholder reserves the right to bid at the sale.

TERMS: CASH: A bidder's deposit of \$6,000.00, cash or certified check, will be required at the time of sale with the settlement and full payment of the purchase price within (15) fifteen days from the date of the sale. Additional terms will be announced at the time of sale and the successful bidder will be required to execute and deliver to the Substitute Trustee a memorandum or contract of the sale at the conclusion of bidding.

This notice is an attempt to collect on a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose. Loan Type: FHA.

NP007675  
FOR INFORMATION

Between 8 - 11 AM  
Nectar Projects, Inc.  
Substitute Trustees  
751 Miller Drive, Suite G1  
Leesburg, Virginia 20175  
(703) 777-8619

### Public Notice

TRUSTEE SALE  
1433 Olivewood Court  
Virginia Beach, VA

In execution of a Deed of Trust from David L. Douglas, Jr. dated October 15, 1996 and recorded in the Clerk's Office, Circuit Court, City of Virginia Beach, Virginia, in Deed Book 3670, page 1365, securing a loan which was originally \$38,450.00. Default having occurred in the payment of the Note thereby secured, and at the request of the holder of said Note, the undersigned Substitute Trustees will offer for sale at public auction at the front steps of the Municipal Building #1, near the corner of Princess Anne & North Landing, Virginia Beach, Virginia on November 17, 2000 at 8:00 A.M., the property described in said Deed of Trust, located at the above address and briefly described as:

Unit 1433 Lot 5, Block C-1 Subdivision of Kemps Quarters. Tax Map #1465-76-3614-7570

The property will be conveyed by Special Warranty Deed, subject to all existing easements, restrictions and any other conditions that may affect title to the property. The Noteholder reserves the right to bid at the sale. This sale is further made subject to the IRS right of Redemption.

TERMS: CASH: A bidder's de-

posit of \$3,700.00, cash or certified check, will be required at the time of sale with the settlement and full payment of the purchase price within (15) fifteen days from the date of the sale. Additional terms will be announced at the time of sale and the successful bidder will be required to execute and deliver to the Substitute Trustee a memorandum or contract of the sale at the conclusion of bidding.

This notice is an attempt to collect on a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose. Loan Type: FHA

NP007657  
FOR INFORMATION

Between 8 - 11 AM  
Nectar Projects, Inc.  
Substitute Trustees  
751 Miller Drive, Suite G1  
Leesburg, Virginia 20175  
(703) 777-8619

### Public Notice

TRUSTEE SALE  
1617 Riverstone Drive  
Virginia Beach, VA

In execution of a Deed of Trust from Lynda L. Neff dated February 25, 1997 and recorded in the Clerk's Office, Circuit Court, City of Virginia Beach, Virginia, in Deed Book 3710, page 1728, securing a loan which was originally \$67,050.00. Default having occurred in the payment of the Note thereby secured, and at the request of the holder of said Note, the undersigned Substitute Trustees will offer for sale at public auction at the front steps of the Municipal Building #1, near the corner of Princess Anne & North Landing, Virginia Beach, Virginia on November 10, 2000 at 8:01 A.M., the property described in said Deed of Trust, located at the above address and briefly described as:

Lot 188, Part 2, Section 2, Section K-2, L-2, Indian Lakes. Tax Map #14657542260000

The property will be conveyed by Special Warranty Deed, subject to all existing easements, restrictions and any other conditions that may affect title to the property. The Noteholder reserves the right to bid at the sale.

TERMS: CASH: A bidder's deposit of \$6,400.00, cash or certified check, will be required at the time of sale with the settlement and full payment of the purchase price within (15) fifteen days from the date of the sale. Additional terms will be announced at the time of sale and the successful bidder will be required to execute and deliver to the Substitute Trustee a memorandum or contract of the sale at the conclusion of bidding.

This notice is an attempt to collect on a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose. Loan Type: FHA

NP007552  
FOR INFORMATION

Between 8 - 11 AM  
Nectar Projects, Inc.  
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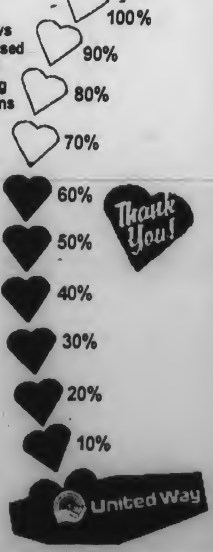
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**GIFT OF EYESIGHT.** Dr. Douglas Rampona and wife Linda of Virginia Beach have made it their mission to travel the world restoring sight to the less fortunate.

## Answering the call for help

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days to one of the missionary team treatment sites.

AIDS also impacted the group's medical mission.

"AIDS is rampant in Kenya, and we saw so many young people with extremely rare cancers of the eye and cornea, all as the result of an AIDS infection. We still operate on them."

The latest mission had a tremendous impact on the Ramponas, who say the procedures are often like "miracles" for those assisted.

"We removed cataracts from a man who had not seen his wife's or children's faces in 15 years. We treated simple eye infections that, left unchecked, lead to permanent blindness," he explained.

"This is their world," Rampona added, holding his hands over his eyes to simulate blindness.

The medical team even helped one man who showed up a week later — after the team had moved his clinic site — with two elderly women also seeking help.

"They had walked 50 kilometers to get there," said Linda.

The Ramponas wish they could have stayed longer, mostly to follow up on the surgeries and treatment, but this was not possible. Many Kenyans, like the

Masai tribe, are nomadic.

"God does the follow-up," Rampona said.

The couple's faith plays a major role in their work.

Rampona's goal to make a difference is rooted in a religious conversion he had while a freshman at Princeton University.

"I knew then that going out into the world to help those less fortunate would be an important part of my life," he explained.

The first "call" came in 1972 while Rampona was serving a second-year residency at Tulane. That's when he first learned about Lighthouse For Christ. The organization was founded by a Christian ophthalmologist 40 years ago.

At that point, still young in his career and having just completed Navy service, Rampona was not ready for the challenge.

"He said 'Come,' but I didn't go," he said.

More than two decades later, however, Rampona says a video of the organization's founder — on his deathbed suffering from cancer. "And in that video he said, 'Come to Africa.' It got me that time," he said. "It was life changing."

That's when the couple, who live in Virginia Beach's Atlantic section Alantown and are active with

New Life Christian Fellowship, committed themselves to missions.

"It was really Doug's first call to go into medical missions, and I've had that desire for years," said Linda, an occupational therapist.

"Life is more exciting now than it ever has been," Rampona added.

The couple's travels have exposed them to a little of everything. They have done missions with Lighthouse For Christ, Medical Mission International and Operation Blessing.

"We've been from five-star hotels to sleeping next to a sewer with maggots in the shower," said Doug. "Yes," Linda added, "some pretty nice places to some pretty bad places."

The couple's work is not without danger either.

On the last trip, they were arrested several hours, many miles later in a large city after taking a picture of a police station — which they learned was a big no-no in the political hotbed. They have also heard of colleagues being tortured for "offenses."

Their next mission is a nine-day trek to Paraguay with Medical Missions International. They also plan to return to Kenya next year.

"It becomes an addicting experience," said Rampona. "If you do one trip it changes your life. You want to do it again."

## Artifacts 'land' big crowd

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Susanna Campbell brought in her collection of fossilized sharks' teeth for examination by local fossil authority Margaret Sacra.

"This is the biggest shark's tooth that I've ever found. I found it in Charleston, South Carolina in the Cooper River," said Campbell. "I was really interested in seeing how old it was and what it belonged to. That's why I came today — mainly."

Ed Bottoms, president of the Nansemond Chapter of the Archeological Society of Virginia and the Virginia Amateur Archeologist of the Year, was also at the Land House to share his expertise with the curious.

"We're here to help people identify items that they found and wondered about and to promote interest in archeology and paleontology," said Bottoms.

"We do not make any monetary appraisals. This isn't an antique road show by any means. We just tell the scientific and historic significance of the items."

Bottoms stressed the importance of recording archeological finds.

"Keep a record of where the things come from. Write it down," he said. "If you find an arrowhead or pottery, put it in a zip lock bag with a tag that includes the location and date that you found it."

"Every item that's found — every artifact — is another piece in the jigsaw puzzle of the past," contended Bottoms. "It's an ongoing process to solve some of the mysteries of the past."

The oldest artifact brought in for examination was a white quartz Clovis point found somewhere in Virginia or North Carolina by Mary Jean Van Patten of Chesapeake. "I didn't think I had anything special," said Van Patten. "It is between 10,000 and 11,000 years old."

"Clovis points are the earliest formally dated projectile points used by Indians in North America," noted Bottoms. "They were first identified at the Clovis site in New Mexico in the 1930s."

Jake Jacobs, a Pungo resident, brought in a couple of artifacts that were found while his home was being built 14 years ago. Jacobs believed he had found a stone age mortar and pestle.

After conferring with Ed Bottoms, Jacobs had a clearer understanding of his artifacts and their

relationship to each other.

He had found, according to Bottoms, a hammer stone for chipping rock and a grindstone for processing nuts and berries.

Bottoms estimated Jacob's artifacts to be 3,000 to 5,000 years old.

"I thought the two pieces would be associated," said Jacobs, "but they were used for two entirely different purposes."

Wrapped in plastic bags, the bottles that Jane Snell submitted for identification were excavated at a site in Hampton. "We were really curious about how old the bottles were and where they came from, so I brought them down here," said

Snell. "I found out that they were from the mid 1800s. One is a beer bottle, one is a patent medicine bottle, and the other two are probably spices."

Jan Eliassen, the museum educator at the Land House who conceived Fossil and Artifact Day, seemed gratified with the public response to the program.

"I think it went pretty well. We had a great variety of items," said Eliassen.

"I guess I'm kind of excited because everybody seemed to be interested in what everybody else had. It wasn't just their pieces, they were interested in the whole picture."



**CEPHALOPOD.** Mary Brackett and son Nicholas hold some fossils — among them a cephalopod that was found by her grandfather in Montana. Cephalopods lived 350 to 450 million years ago.

## Dorfman set for Pavilion stage

David Dorfman Dance will perform at 8 p.m., Saturday, Nov. 18 at the Pavilion Theatre. *The New York Times* calls David Dorfman's choreography "vocal, playful and raw." The athlete turned dancer and choreographer explores the themes of affection and intimacy with wry humor and eccentric athletic movement.

The result is a visual delight infused with new life. Known to talk and play music while dancing, Dorfman and his six-member troupe fill the stage with rough and tumble, sports-based imagery and leave behind the idea that dance must be filled with grace.

Founded in 1985, David Dorfman Dance has performed extensively in New York City, throughout North and South America, Great Britain and Europe. In recent seasons, the company has presented debut engagements in Germany (Internationals Sommertheater Festival

Hamburg), Canada (Harbourfront Centre, Toronto), Brazil (Festival Internacional de Londrina), Greece (Kalamata International Dance Festival), and Denmark (Dancestegen).

David Dorfman and the company have received six New York Dance and Performance ("Bessie") Awards.

Recent projects by David Dorfman include "A Cure for Gravity," set to music by popular composer and recording artist Joe Jackson; "Gone Right Back," with music by Dorfman, Elaine Buckholtz and Shannon McGuire; the premiere of "Job," and the third in a series of duets created by Dorfman and frequent guest artist Dan Froot, and "Point of Origin," an improvisation project developed and presented in collaboration with Mark Taylor and the Pittsburgh Dance Alloy.

Dorfman's newest work, "Subverse," premiered at the American Dance Festival in North Carolina this past summer.

Upcoming projects include a new work with a score by Amy Denio, premiering at the Brooklyn Academy of Music's Next Wave Festival 2000 and "Shick," a Dorfman/Froot collaboration.

Community-based projects also play an important part in the life of the David Dorfman Dance.

The members of the company join with groups of volunteer athletes and families in collaborative dance projects such as "Out of Season (the Athletes Project)" and "Familiar Movements (The Family Project)."

After rehearsing for two weeks, the volunteers and members of the company perform together. By the end of the 2000 season, the two projects will have been presented 29 times in 15 states and two foreign countries.

A highlight of the 1999-2000 season was a statewide residency in North Carolina with multi-week stays at the American Dance Festival in Durham, Boone, Greensboro, Asheville and Chapel Hill.

Subscriptions to Tidewater Performing Arts Society's 2000-01 season are still available. To purchase group tickets for David Dorfman Dance or for subscription information call, 627-2314; single tickets may be purchased at the Virginia Stage Company Box Office (627-1234) at the corner of Tazewell Street and Monticello Avenue in downtown Norfolk or at First Virginia Bank locations. Single tickets range from \$12.50 to \$30.50.

### Support group to meet

Sentara Virginia Beach General Hospital will hold a Cancer Support Group meeting on Monday, Nov. 20 at 6:30 p.m. in the Health Education Center, located across from the hospital's Emergency Department. This free service for cancer patients and their families offers both educational and emotional support. The support group meets on the third Monday of every month. For more information call, 395-8686.

## Experts in quality share knowledge with Beach

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steps a culture of satisfied workers and customers can be easily obtained.

The motto of the Ritz-Carlton is "ladies and gentlemen serving ladies and gentlemen," which highlights Kazanova's concept that when employees are treated equally, a friendly environment is created.

Participant Jeanette Smith has been to three conferences, and while she hasn't seen improvements in the city as a direct result of the conferences, she has seen improvement in the movement the city is taking to provide quality service.

"Brian's speech motivated me and helped me realize that if I can see the importance of what you're doing, it makes a difference," said Smith.

"By acknowledging that everyone is a stakeholder in an organization, individual employees feel more re-

sponsible for the actions they take and it creates a sense of pride."

The conference also included sessions by various community leaders in the city, school districts and naval programs.

"We try to bring in speakers from organizations that have made major quality improvements to their organization and have been recognized for it," said Nancy Keenan, another representative from the city.

Participants of the conference were invited to attend the conference and accept a new concept of the relationship between management and front-line workers.

"Community for a lifetime" is our city's vision," said Susan Watson, city manager's chief of staff. "This conference ties into that nicely because we talk about continually improving what we put into the community. This is an event that helps reenergize and refocus our commitment to quality."



**HE'S GOT A POINT.** Archaeologist George Ramsey examines a projectile point that a Land House visitor brought in for identification.



### This little piggy welcomed to the world

Ed Gibbs' fifth-grade class at Princess Anne Elementary created birth announcements for Baby Snuff, offspring of mama guinea pig Snuffles, a pet of Barbara Elmer's fifth-grade class. Each full construction paper sheet announcement included all the vital information — birth date, time, place, weight, length, parent and physical information. Each sheet was individually designed, decorated and assembled by a member of Gibbs' class. Showing off their creations, from left, are Joshua Baird, Justin Freeze and Jessica Sinnett.

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VIRGINIA BEACH NEWS AND VIEWS

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## News in Brief

### Spaghetti dinner

The PTA of Arrowhead Elementary School will host a spaghetti dinner for parents, students, and staff members on Nov. 13, between 5:30 and 7:30 p.m. The dinner will take place in the school's cafeteria.

Tickets will be on sale in the mornings before school or at the door on the night of the dinner. Tickets are \$3 for adults and \$2.50 for elementary aged children and younger.

Carol Baird, the school's music specialist, and her family will be performing during the dinner. Her husband is also a strings instructor for the school system.

### Bounteous world

Visit one of the earliest English houses in Hampton Roads and discover how the land provided most of the essentials needed for survival in the new world. "The Bounteous New World" will be presented at 2 p.m. on Saturdays in November at the historic Adam Thoroughgood House. (Nov. 11, 18 and 25) This special tour is included in the regular admission price of \$3.50 for adults; \$3 for senior citizens; \$2.50 for students and \$2 for children. The Adam Thoroughgood House is located at 1636 Parish Road in Virginia Beach. Call 431-4000 for more information.

### Choral concert

The professional choral ensemble Schola Cantorum will present a program of a capella cathedral music including music of Britten, Weekles, and Rutter, directed by Dr. Lee Tepley, at Virginia Beach United Methodist Church, 19th St. and Pacific Avenue, Virginia Beach, on Friday, Nov. 10, at 7:30 p.m.

Free on-site parking. Free-will offering will be received. Call 428-7727 for further information.

### AARP meeting

Princess Anne AARP Chapter 5119 will meet at 1 p.m. on Tuesday, Nov. 14 in the Harbor Lounge of the Club House at Atlantic Shores, located at Atlantic Shore Drive and Dam Neck Road in Virginia Beach.

Marne Morgan will speak on "Retirement - Make A Plan."

At 12:30 p.m. the Virginia Beach Health Department will conduct blood pressure readings. Visitors and prospective members, aged 50 and over, are welcome.

For additional information, call 430-2646 or 716-2683.

### Puppet show

The Kempsville Area Library, 832 Kempsville Rd., will present their fourth annual "Family Christmas Puppet Show," Dec. 11 and 12 at 7 p.m. The whole family is invited for an evening of holiday entertainment. Call 495-1016 to register, beginning Monday, Nov. 20. Participation is limited to 100.

### Toys for Tots

In support of the USMC annual Toys for Tots campaign, the Retired Officers Association will host a Christmas cocktail party at the Oceana Officers Club on Wednesday, Dec. 6, at 6:30 p.m. Guests are encouraged to donate an unwrapped toy suitable for boys and girls of all ages for collection and distribution by USMC representatives. For reservations, call 464-6799 no later than noon, Nov. 30.

### Basketball camp

The Paul Webb Holiday Basketball Camp will be held Dec. 26-29 from 9 a.m. to noon at the Great Neck, Kempsville and Princess Anne community recreation centers. Cost is \$80 and is open to boys and girls in grades one through eight. To register call 464-4561.

### Colonial Dinner

Tabernacle United Methodist, 1265 Sandbridge Rd., will hold its 23rd annual Colonial Dinner Saturday, Nov. 18 from 4:30 to 7:30 p.m. The menu includes country ham, turkey, dressing, collards, snaps, corn pudding, sweet potatoes, dessert and drink. Admission for adults is \$8, children \$4. The Christmas Shop will include crafts, baked goods, jellies, breads and a new cookbook. For more information call 426-6991 or 426-2690.

### Christmas bazaar

The Lynnhaven Colony Congregational Church's Women Fellowship will sponsor a Christmas bazaar Nov. 18 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at 2217 Great Neck Rd. Holiday crafts, holiday pie sale and lunch will be offered. Holiday crafter's space/tables will be for rent. Holiday fashions and accessories will be featured by Cherry Davidson. If interested in renting space call Jean Muehlen at 481-1338 (h) or 422-6700 (w).

## Peace Corps director will address World Affairs Council

By Jim DeAngelo  
Correspondent

With turmoil and terrorism around the world and in our news, area residents might be wondering just how safe Americans are when traveling or working abroad.

What about Peace Corps volunteers, for example?

Just how safe are the more than 7,000 volunteers working in 76 countries around the world?

Is their work worth the effort and the risk?

Hampton Roads gets the chance to find out next week when Peace Corps Director Mark L. Schneider visits to address the World Affairs Council (WAC) of Greater Hampton Roads Thursday, Nov. 16 at Old Dominion University's Webb Center.

But one local man already knows the answer. A returned Peace Corps volunteer and an associate professor of history at Virginia Wesleyan College, Clayton J. Drees says America's "Citizens Diplomats" are for the most part, safe and their efforts worthwhile.

"Peace Corps volunteers are generally warmly accepted around the world," said Drees.

"Their hosts realize these volunteers have made many sacrifices, giving up a couple years of their lives to come and help their country in its education and economic development. Thus, Peace Corps volunteers are very well received and for most part, are very safe."

Drees, a volunteer in Sierra Leone, Africa from 1977-79, felt safe and feels others in the Peace Corps should as well.

While safety is certainly one of Schneider's top concerns, the newly confirmed Peace Corps director also worries about dealing with natural disasters, polio, HIV/AIDS and about how his global team of volunteers can best contribute to self-sufficiency and

economic development overseas. As his group heads toward its 40th anniversary next March, he has included in his goals that the Peace Corps help eradicate polio by 2005 and that all volunteers heading for Africa be trained as HIV/AIDS prevention educators.

He also wants them to focus on disaster relief and preparedness, entrepreneurial development, environmental protection and post-conflict recovery and reconciliation.

"When he speaks to the World Affairs Council next Thursday night, I expect the director will focus on these and many other topics," confirmed Ray Taylor, WAC president. "I know he wants to address the future of the U.S. Peace Corps and its challenges in the 21st century — issues like the size of the corps, future policies and changing roles."

"There are more than 150 returned Peace Corps volunteers living and working here, many in businesses and

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Mark L. Schneider



HELPING OUT. Community Service Officer Merlin Swartzentruber radios in information about a disabled vehicle.

## These flashing lights are a welcome sight

By Jason Norman  
Correspondent

For eight years, Merlin Swartzentruber worked as a dispatcher for the Virginia Beach Police Department (VBPD). In May 1999, however, he decided to change employment, taking a job as a counselor for juvenile delinquents.

But the Virginia Beach resident wasn't satisfied. "I missed being involved in public safety," says Swartzentruber. "It gets in your blood. When this job became available, I thought it was a perfect opportunity for me, and it's turned into exactly that."

He's referring to the VBPD's Community Service Officer's Program. Implemented in September, it is designed to aid stranded motorists and assist with traffic complaints.

"The people call us 'The Fun Police,' because they like to see us," he jokes. "When they see us, it means that they're broken down, or out of gas or something like that."

"Our primary purpose is helping disabled motorists, which takes the load off of the local police officers."

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## Olympians bring special feeling to Beach

By Jason Norman  
Correspondent

Virginia Beach was a special place last weekend. On Saturday and Sunday, the resort city hosted the 14th annual Fall Championships for Special Olympians across the state.

One of five state-level competitions held every year for Virginia's mentally challenged, the event brought hundreds of Virginians to the city for a weekend of fun.

The opening ceremonies began Saturday night at Ocean Lakes High School, featuring the lighting of the 'Special Olympic Torch,' along with refreshments, entertainment and dancing. The real fun began Sunday with five separate events taking place across the city. The Kempsville Family Skating Center hosted roller skating, soccer was played at the Hampton Roads Soccer Complex and volleyball took place at the Bayside and Great Neck recreation centers.

Finally, there was the AMF Indian River Bowling Alley, where nearly 100 Special Olympians participated in unified bowling, an inclusive program that com-

bined partners with and without disabilities. Up and down the alley, participants could be seen hurling bowling balls towards the pins a few feet away.

The event was sponsored by the Knights of Columbus, a worldwide Catholic organization.

"We used to hold this event in Northern Virginia, but we transferred to Tidewater, and we have been very successful," said Cris Romero, a district deputy with the organization.

"The players, the volunteers and the coordinators are all having a ball."

Romero explained more about his organization. "We work with the handicapped, and do charity work," he said. "We just help everybody."

"Being as how this is November, and being in the Tidewater area, we wanted to do something that was inside," said Lenny Pulizzi, who has been the events' coordinator since its beginning.

"We thought everyone would enjoy it and they have. Even if they bow a gutter

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PROUD WINNERS. No matter whether they won or not, competing in the Special Olympics made all the participants winners.

## Outdoors plan nearly ready

The Virginia Beach Parks and Recreation Department is requesting input from Beach citizens regarding the Virginia Beach Outdoors Plan 2000.

This plan replaces the 1994 Outdoors Plan with open space acquisition and potential funding options for Virginia Beach City Council.

This plan also includes recommendations to preserve available parcels of open space in Virginia Beach, particularly in those areas in the northern end of the city threatened by urban sprawl.

Created in 1994, the city's Outdoors Plan was developed to form an attractive, environmentally sensitive open space system that includes trails, greenways and scenic waterways; beaches; parks, natural, and agricultural areas; scenic road corridors; and attractive and pleasing places to live, work, and play.

To make sure that the Virginia Beach Outdoors Plan 2000 reflects the wants and needs of the residents, Virginia Beach Parks and Recreation contracted with the Continental Research Associates to conduct focus groups and a telephone survey.

In addition, more than 400 citizens attended eight public meetings hosted by

the Virginia Beach Parks and Recreation Commission.

"We were very pleased with the turnout at these meetings," said J. Barry Frankfield, planner for Virginia Beach Parks and Recreation.

"Citizens shared their concerns about open space, trails, softball fields, and other overall quality of life issues in Virginia Beach. They were overwhelmingly supportive of preserving open space, and we have tried to address their desires with the Virginia Beach Outdoors Plan 2000."

"We would like the residents of Virginia Beach to see this document before it is adopted by City Council," he said.

At 7 p.m., Wednesday, Nov. 15, Parks and Recreation staff will be highlighting key points of the Virginia Beach Outdoors Plan 2000. Copies of the report will be available for the public at the meeting.

Comments will be encouraged until Dec. 15, and may be made by mailing to: Virginia Beach Parks and Recreation, 2408 Courthouse Drive, Building 21, Virginia Beach, VA 23456, or email: fun@city.virginia-beach.va.us.

For more information, call 563-1100.



LUNCHEON SPEAKER. One of the guests at the VOLUNTEER Luncheon was Scott Rigell, far left, who talked about National Family Volunteer Day.

## Volunteer as a family

By Margaret Windley  
Correspondent

The country needs its volunteers. But you don't have to leave your family behind to give your time and energies to help others.

Check out National Family Volunteer

Day, Nov. 18 at Taylor Elementary School. It's a great way to build stronger families while helping the community.

Media and supporters of VOLUNTEER Hampton Roads learned the details last

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# Commentary

VETERANS DAY 2000

## Sacrifice

Bunker Hill, Antietam, San Juan Hill, Verdun, Normandy, Pork Chop Hill, Vietnam, Beirut, Somalia, Kuwait: Places on the map. But they all have something in common. American men and women died on those battlefields defending their nation and its ideals.

In these and many of other locations around the globe, hundreds of thousands made the ultimate sacrifice — giving up their lives. Many more gave up arms, legs, eyes, even their sanity in the line of duty. Millions managed to escape battles unscathed; yet, they too, sacrificed part of their lives for home and family.

Monuments have been erected to honor the memory of the men and women of the Revolutionary War, Civil War, Spanish-American War, World War I, World War II, Korean War and Vietnam War.

Those who served in wars and armed conflicts — even those who gave their time during periods of peace — all have one thing in common; they are veterans.

Nov. 11 is the day this country has set aside to pay homage to those men and women — Veteran's Day. This special observance seems to have gone the way of many holidays. The significance has been forgotten. It is just another day off for a large number of workers.

Yet this is one day that all Americans should remember and reflect on what it means — the sacrifices made for all of us.

Everyone makes sacrifices throughout their lives and, often, we feel put upon because we have to make them. But unless we lost loved ones in war, shed our own blood or risked our lives defending this country, our sacrifices pale in comparison.

Sometime this weekend, take a moment to think about the thousands of men and women, of all ages, colors and religious backgrounds who are not here today because they made the ultimate sacrifice. — J.B.



## New addition

Regular readers of Victoria Hecht's column, usually found on this page, are well aware that she, husband Evan and son Mitch have been waiting for the next addition to the family. Well, the wait is over. Little Abby made her entrance into the world Wednesday, Nov. 1. Mother and daughter are doing well and have now returned home.

## Letters to the Editor

We welcome letters to the editor from readers who wish to reflect upon or take issue with other views. That's what this page is for, the sharing of opinions: yours, ours and those of our columnists and cartoonists.

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## Take a pause along the way

With the holiday season almost upon us, it occurred to me that it's time for each of us to reflect upon how lucky we are! There is a certitude about American life these days



## Perspectives

By Eileen Huey,  
columnist

the earlier one in the mid-20th century.

Not because we are more prosperous, because the average American family is not. Our purchasing power and ability to meet the housing, retirement, healthcare and educational needs of our families are actually less than it was in 1976.

Nonetheless, our most recent period of extended prosperity has much to recommend it. First of all, we don't have a cold war hanging over our heads, or the possibility of nuclear annihilation to worry about. Secondly, the serious recession of the early 1990s, accompanied as it was with a serious loss of employment and security, makes the current stability of good times all the more appreciated.

Best of all, we have finally begun to reap the benefits that only unity and intolerance can bring to our nation. "E Pluribus Unum" may be our national motto and the founding principal of our republic, but it has been little more than a far-off goal until the last decade.

Thanks to the protest movement of the 1960s, tolerance for all races, ethnicities, religions and genders long ago became politically correct. But, it took nearly 40 years for that political

So, as we turn the corner into a new century and millennium, its time to pause and thank Divine Providence (through whatever religious faith we embrace) for the blessings that abound in our land.

cal correctness to genuinely become a part of the American psyche.

It is no longer true that most members of the white Protestant majority say one thing in public and another in private. Few Americans harbor real prejudices based upon race, religion or ethnic origin, and even fewer believe that women are inferior to men.

Regionalism is also on the decline in America. For that we can partially thank the determined effort of the federal government to enforce civil rights. Its determination that all localities and states would be denied federal dollars and contracts unless they insured civil rights and equal access to all their citizens convinced even the South and Southwest to abandon their intractable prejudicial policies. As a result, economic development finally came to these once backward rural regions that had nearly missed the Industrial Revolution itself.

Those who mistakenly claim that affirmative action is not needed should rethink that position entirely. Affirmative action has done more toward moving America down the long road to a just society and land of equal opportunity than all the laws and court rulings in our nation's history.

Plus, our sense of being one national family has been enormously helped by the environmental movement kicked off in the 1970s. For the first time Americans recognize that air and water quality in the Great Lakes is extremely relevant to folks who live in the Mississippi Delta, and that pollutants poured into the atmosphere in the west have a direct negative impact on residents along the eastern seaboard.

Despite the damage our connected Information Age is capable of inflicting upon our youth and culture, the benefit of citizen connection across our vast land far outweighs that danger. There is literally nothing beyond our collective power now that we possess such an outstanding tool for collaboration on an individual by individual basis.

So, as we turn the corner into a new century and millennium, its time to pause and thank Divine Providence (through whatever religious faith we embrace) for the blessings that abound in our land. It's true that we still have a very long way to go on our journey toward one America where fairness, equity and opportunity for all are the reality, not just our dream. But, by any measure, we are definitely making progress.

The challenges before us are still very great. We must not minimize the seriousness of racial profiling, unacceptable levels of child poverty, homelessness and mediocrity in our public schools, a failed War on Drugs, lack of access to quality health care, a wasteful and exploitive penal system and the destructive force of corporate money in corrupting the institutions of our self-government.

Still, if we have learned nothing else over the past 40 years, it is that Americans can solve anything, no matter how deeply rooted the problem is. The key is not to let up or lose sight of our goal. The true measure of our progress cannot be found in the Dow Jones or even in the general state of our economy. What Americans care about is the quality of life of the common man because, after all, that's why our republic was founded in the first place.

## A bit of humor while awaiting election results

As this column is being written I don't yet know who will be the next president of the United States, but I do know that I am sick and tired of all the political speeches and will be glad when it is over.

I will have more to say about the election next week.

For a change I thought it would be kind of nice to share some humorous quotations with my readers, so here they

## The Real World

By B.J. Sessions, senior columnist.

are:

■ Abraham Lincoln: "Better to remain silent and be thought a fool than to speak out and remove all doubt."

■ Mark Twain: "If you pick up a starving dog and make him prosperous he will not bite you. This is the principal difference between a dog and a man."

■ Will Rogers: "We can't all be heroes because somebody has to sit on the curb and clap as they go by."

■ Benjamin Franklin: "Guests, like fish, begin to smell after three days."

■ Robert Frost: "The brain is a wonderful organ; it starts the minute you get up in the morning and does not stop until you get to the office."

■ W.C. Fields: "If at first you don't succeed... then give up, there's no use being a damn fool about it."

■ Oscar Wilde: "A man can't be too careful in the choice of his enemies."

■ John F. Kennedy: "Forgive your enemies, but never forget their names."

The rest of the quotations are from anonymous sources:

■ "All husbands are alike, but they have different faces so you can tell them apart."

■ "If you get up early, work late and pay your taxes, you will get ahead — if you win the lotto."

■ "Lead your life so you wouldn't be ashamed to sell the family parrot to the town gossip."

■ "Only two groups of people fail for flattery — men and women."

■ "The two hardest things to handle in life are failure and success."

■ "Some who are not paid what they are worth ought to be glad."

■ "If you want to know how many friends you have just buy a cottage on a lake."

■ "When the well's dry, we know the worth of water."

■ "He that scatters thorns, let him not go barefoot."

■ "One nice thing about egotists, they don't talk about other people."

■ "If all the economists in the world were laid end to end, it would probably be a good thing."

■ "There are two times when a man doesn't understand a woman — before marriage and after marriage."

■ "You have only to mumble a few words in church to get married and a few words in your sleep to get divorced."

Welcome to the real world.

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## Regionalism brings cities, counties together

Throughout history, regions have been formed by natural boundaries, such as rivers and mountains, mineral deposits, patterns of migration, land ownership, religion, language and trade routes. In later years, improvements such as roads, canals and railways often became the dividing line between regions.

States have long been divided into regions — the Northeast, the South-west and so forth. Today, regions might be drawn based on the market area of a television station, or the service area of an airport.

When Theodore Roosevelt was president at the beginning of this century, there was a lot of focus on regionalism. Plans were made on a regional basis to improve housing and health care for the poor, eliminate child labor, provide open space and fresh air to city dwellers and reform education.

During the Great Depression, a movement was made for a return to rural and regional values. The barriers that had existed between town and country were disappearing because of electricity and the automobile. A rural-based regional economy was seen as the solution to the problems caused by the Depression.

President Franklin Roosevelt attempted to put the regional planning philosophy into practice during the New Deal with the Tennessee Valley Authority (TVA) and the Rural Electrification Administration (REA).

The TVA worked to bring regional cooperation among local organizations and developed its own regional economic systems to build dams which produced electricity.

The Rural Electrification Administration encouraged regionalism through the creation of cooperatives of farmers and other rural residents who pooled their money to build transmission lines and operate electrical service.

The invention of the automobile enabled families to leave the city or country and discover the region surrounding their hometowns. City folks could explore the country and rural residents could shop or attend cultural events in the city more than ever before. Technological improvements brought people closer together as a culture.

After World War II, the suburbs became popular, where people would work in the city but return home each evening to the suburbs where they lived. Central cities began to lose population and surrounding metropolitan areas grew. This trend has continued over the last few decades.

Regionalism has not necessarily come from the formal consolidation of city and county, but from the adoption of a regional theme and strategy that guided both public and private decision-making. Most likely, today's approaches to regionalism will not be new layers of government, but rather new forms of cooperation among existing governments and communities.

Regional cooperation does not have to mean regional government. Regionalism in the 1990s is a partnership, not a command-and-control relationship. Many people believe that large regional governments lose touch with citizens.

The new regionalism is the recognition that the people of the world are putting together in new combinations. It is the acknowledgement that smaller is better on one level, but that coalitions working together with a shared message can be very powerful. The regionalism of today means more than a geographical boundary; it is the philosophy that we are connected by a common bond.

Let me tell you a little about the Hampton Roads region which is where we all live. Hampton Roads is made up of 16 cities and counties — Chesapeake, Franklin, Hampton, Newport News, Norfolk, Poquoson, Portsmouth, Suffolk, Virginia Beach, Williamsburg, Isle of Wight County, James City County, Southampton County, York County, Gloucester County and Surry County.

While Hampton Roads is made up of different cities and counties, we all come together to work as a region on many issues.

We have had many successes in the Hampton Roads region. People from around the commonwealth of Virginia and throughout the United States look on Hampton Roads as a region that works together.

The Virginia Beach City Council



**The Mayor's Report**

Mayor Meyera Oberndorf

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has set regional cooperation as one of our high priority goals. It is crucial that cities and counties throughout Hampton Roads work together on projects that impact the region.

The Hampton Roads Planning District Commission, Hampton Roads Sanitation District, Southeastern Public Service Authority, the Hampton Roads Partnership, the Hampton Roads Economic Development Alliance, Regional Arts Alliances, the Hampton Roads Mayors and Chairs Caucus, our General Assembly Hampton Roads Caucus and many other regional initiatives are organizations we can be very proud of.

This year, I am the chairperson of both the Hampton Roads Mayors and Chairs and the Southside Hampton Roads Mayors and Chairs.

One very successful regional organization is the Hampton Roads Economic Development Alliance (HREDA). This group was officially formed in 1997 when the five South Hampton Roads cities agreed to pay \$1 per person in their city to fund the organization. This commitment will generate more than \$5 million over a five year period. The private sector has committed to an additional \$6 million over the next five years.

The HREDA has set the stage for much improved regional cooperation. The private sector and municipal governments have agreed to pool financial resources and market the region under the banner of the HREDA.

Borders, distance and time no longer pose barriers to e-commerce, to the flow of work and information; and our city and our region must compete globally for economic prosperity.

Virginia Beach is taking the lead in cultivating the workforce, an initiative that will help the city and the region gain and maintain competitive advantage. When the doors open at our new Advanced Technology Center in 2002, we'll be one giant step closer to providing world-class, high-tech training to students and adults who want to jump-start their critical vocational skills.

Our city manager has done an outstanding job of organizing our city departments into teams. These teams are based on the goals council has set for the future of the city of Virginia Beach. Teams work across department lines.

For example, a safe community is not just a police responsibility. It also involves Parks and Recreation, Housing, Health and many other departments.

Each team is independent and also interdependent. No one team drives the others. Picture the solar system revolving around the sun and then contrast that to the Olympic Ring. It is in the center and everything else is a satellite revolving around the center. In the Olympic Rings, no one ring dominates the others. No one is at the center. Each ring is independent and also interdependent.

As our team strategy works so successfully in the city of Virginia Beach, we can easily transfer the concept to regionalism. In an Olympic Ring model, each city, each county is independent and interdependent. It is a picture of cooperation. Competition is external, not internal. The overlapping rings signify the areas of shared interest, such as tourism and transportation.

No one locality dominates. We don't create a megalopolis where each locality loses its identity.

Our region is unique and we have much to be proud of in Hampton Roads — beautiful waterfronts, a stable economy, the pride of American history. The Hampton Roads Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA) is larger than the Indianapolis, Orlando, Charlotte and Jacksonville MSAs. Incredible potential exists in Hampton Roads. I am convinced that working together, we can make Hampton Roads a world-class region.

Lisa Chandler White, office of the mayor, contributed to this column.

Tell a friend you read about it in The Virginia Beach Sun.



**SMASHING PUMPKINS.** A young contestant, with the assistance of an older sibling, makes contact with a pumpkin during the annual Pumpkin Fling at the Henley Farm in Pungo.

## Smashing pumpkins was order of the day at Pungo farmstead

By Bob Rueggesser  
Correspondent

Deep in the heart of Pungo on the Henley Farm, The Friends of Ferry Plantation House held their 4th annual Pumpkin Fling in an effort to continue raising funds for the preservation and restoration of the historic Ferry Plantation House on the Lynnhaven River.

In addition to the traditional hay ride, pumpkin toss and smash, and silent auction, several new features were incorporated into the popular local event this year.

Competition for the both heaviest and ugliest pumpkin was inaugurated. Lap looming, gun grinding, and butter churning demonstrations also became part of the venue.

Pungo's most celebrated citizen, Grace Sherwood, was also featured through a group of local historic interpreters who have portrayed the wily Witch of Pungo. In fact, there were more Grace Sherwoods on the Henley Farm during the Pumpkin Fling than you could shake a broomstick at.

During the Hay Ride Through History component of the program, a bevy of historic interpreters who have depicted the venerable witch shared Sherwood's tantalizing story with event participants.

"This is the only fund-raising event that we actually do every year," said Bert Hess, president of The Friends of the Ferry Plantation House.

"It's working. It's fun. It's great family entertainment," she added. Although Ferry Plantation House is owned by the city of Virginia Beach, the city has authorized The Friends of Ferry Plantation House to see to the preservation, restoration, and maintenance of the house.

"It's a public-private partnership," said Hess. "Even though the property is owned by the city, we need to raise funds independent of taxes."

Hess remarked that real progress in preserving and restoring Ferry Plantation House has been made over the past four years.

The roof has been repaired, and a heating-air conditioning system has been installed. The 1850's addition to the house, which was beginning to sink, has been raised and stabilized.

Upstairs in the old mansion, space has been rented by the



**DOING IT THE OLD WAY.** Gerry Richter demonstrated how Native Americans ground corn into meal. Richter estimated the grindstone she was using to be more than 1,100 years old.

American Institute of Architects. "It's going very well," said Hess. "We had a recent paint analysis done by Colonial Williamsburg, and they're going to help us more with the house," she said.

"There's always a lot of work that needs to be done. We need volunteers and, of course, we'll always need more funds."

Barbara Henley, a member of Virginia Beach City Council, has supported the Ferry Plantation House restoration project from its inception.

"Restoration of an old structure takes a lot of money," said Henley. "It's coming along. It's a very slow process to do a restoration right and we're trying to be meticulous about it."

She has offered the Henley Farm as the site for the fundraiser and has provided the pumpkins for the annual affair.

"Of course, this time of year we have these pumpkins laying around just waiting to have something done with them after Halloween," explained Henley. "We're glad to do this. It's a good way to get rid of the pumpkins, have fun, and make it go to a good cause."

Belinda Nash, treasurer of The Friends of Ferry Plantation House, has served as event coordinator over the years. Nash seemed busy — but pleased — during this year's event.

"The proceeds from this," smiled Nash, "will go to help restore Ferry Plantation House."

## Francis Land House hosts special program

Are you looking for something to do with out-of-town guests after all of the turkey is gone?

Come to the Francis Land House Historic Site and Gardens for a special program entitled "Natives and Colonists" on Friday, Nov. 24 from 1 to 4 p.m. Gain insight into the lives of the native people who inhabited our area thousands of years ago through a hands-on Native American learning lab.

Learn how nature provided many things for the Native Americans and the Virginia colonists. Visit with a basket maker and see the materials used in early basket construction. Learn how soap was made. See a colonial cook prepare a meal over an open fire.

Talk with a candlemaker and see how beeswax provided beautiful light. Watch a hornsmith craft objects from cow's horn, the 18th century "plastic." Tour the beautiful Francis Land House. Many of the craftspeople will have items for sale.

The cost for this afternoon of exploration is \$2 per person. The Francis Land House is located at 3131 Virginia Beach Boulevard. Call 431-4000 for information.

## AAUW to meet at VWC

The Virginia Beach Branch of the American Association of University Women will meet on Wednesday, Nov. 15, at 7 p.m. in Boyd Hall at Virginia Wesleyan College.

The topic of the meeting is "Community Activism - Can We Do More?" The speaker will be William Kimball, education director for the Jewish-Christian Outreach Center.

Potential members who are graduates of four-year colleges or universities or are currently enrolled as full time undergraduate students are invited to attend.

For more information, call 467-2775.

## Art Center sets Holiday Bazaar

The Contemporary Art Center of Virginia presents the second annual Holiday Bazaar on Nov. 24 and 25, 2000, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

The Holiday Bazaar will offer unique gifts and hand-crafted items by 22 local artists who will display and sell their work.

Participating artists include: Leonette Adler, Pat Berlin, Robin Brickell, Vicki Bruner, Colleen Fleming, Missy Friske, Linda Gissen, Elaine Goulart, Barbara Guthrie, Connie Hanna, Renee Humphrey, Diane Huns, Terre Itner, Barbara Mason, Beverly Merrell, Mary Jane Murphy, Stacy Nelson, Janet Peck, Deborah & Donnie Rogers, Virginia & Mitzi Van Horn, Donna Wynn, Linda Yates.

Seattle Espresso will have coffee, hot chocolate and cider for sale. The galleries will be open during the Holiday Bazaar and the \$2 admission price will allow shoppers to view the Center's current exhibitions "Threshold: Invoking the Domestic in Contemporary Art" and "Walking the Log...Memories of a Southern Childhood" by Bessie Nickens.

The Contemporary Art Center of Virginia is located at 2200 Parks Ave., at the entrance to I-264 in the heart of the resort district of Virginia Beach. It is open to the public Tuesday through Friday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Saturday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.; and Sunday, noon to 4 p.m. Call 425-0000 for more information.

## LIBRARY NOTES

The Kempsville Area Library, 832 Kempsville Road, staff presents a six-week storytime series, for children, ages 3 to 5, on Thursdays, Nov. 16, and 30, from 2:30 to 3 p.m. and Fridays, Nov. 17, 24 and Dec. 1, at 10:15 and 11:15 a.m.

These interactive storytelling programs help to broaden a child's learning experience.

Call 495-1016 to register. Participation is limited to 25 per session.



**GOURD CARCASSES.** The remains of thousands of smashed pumpkins littered the ground after sledgehammer-wielding contestants pounded them into submission.



**FORESIGHT.** The trunk of vehicles used by Community Service Officers contains most items likely needed to assist disabled motorists in Virginia Beach.

## Officers provide valuable service

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"For example, we direct traffic during accidents, which allows other police officers to get back on the street for law enforcement.

"We also jump start cars, give gasoline if they run out, help push vehicles off the road, call tow trucks if necessary, and take care of abandoned vehicles. Once in a great while, we will give a citizen a ride home, but only in emergency situations."

Swartzentruber explains the tools for the job of the Community Service officers. "We have traffic cones, road flares, first aid kits, battery packs, blankets, water, jacks, tire irons, screwdrivers and a hose that we hook up to pump fuel directly from our fuel tanks into the gas tanks of other drivers."

Each of the department's four precincts have two officers assisting during each day and evening shift.

"We have gotten a tremendous reception from the police officers," said Swartzentruber.

"They love having us out here, and they make it very obvious whenever we're here. We take a big load off of them, because we do the mundane things that they don't enjoy doing."

"Sitting with an abandoned vehicle or directing traffic, they love that we're here to do stuff like that for them."

On Saturday night, the officers set out to aid as many motorists as possible.

"We write tickets when we're called by a citizen complaint," explains Swartzentruber. A few moments later, such a complaint came in, as someone has conveniently left their automobile across two handicapped parking spaces.

Swartzentruber places a \$100 fine on the car's windshield.

"We don't handle enforcement, but if necessary, assistance isn't far away. We are on the police radio, so officers and dispatchers know where we are. All we have to do is call them, and assistance will be sent."

A bit later, a much more significant call comes over the radio. A Mustang has torn across Lynnhaven Parkway, leveling a light pole and totaling the car. Already, the scene is surrounded by several policemen and ambulances.

Swartzentruber arrives, puts on a police vest, and directs traffic using a plastic light stick. While he's doing so, other officers sort out the mess behind them, cleaning up the broken glass, gathering information from eyewitnesses and performing other duties.

An hour later, the scene is

cleaned up and all the officers are on their way.

"Even when things like that happen," Swartzentruber said, "I like this job. It's a stress reliever. People like us and trust us. Some people are scared of police officers, but not of us. They enjoy having us stop to help them when they're in trouble."

The night isn't quite over. A call soon comes into aid a stranded motorist at the corner of Warwick Road and Lynnhaven. Swartzentruber attaches a battery pack to the engine of the Volvo, and it soon roars to life. Afterward, the driver fills out a satisfaction survey. Swartzentruber is pleased with the results.

"The survey is always excellent," he says, flipping through the man's comments. "I haven't gotten one yet that's been anything but good."

## Pittman named director of Regent's grad center

Regent University recently named Jeff Pittman as the part-time director of the Regent University Graduate Center in Northern Virginia/D.C.

Pittman, 46, is originally from Kenly, N.C. He will continue his current duties as associate dean of administration and acting dean of academics for the School of Divinity.

"It is exciting to be a part of Regent's extension campus in northern Virginia," said Pittman. "We expect great things indeed

as we bring Christian graduate education to the Washington metropolitan area."

"Our new 28,000-square-foot, \$7.5 million building in Alexandria will provide state of the art education facilities for the graduate students in Regent's various programs."

"The construction is on schedule and we anticipate opening the facility in late December well in advance of the start of spring semester classes."

In his new position, Pittman will work closely with Regent's eight schools and administrative departments to facilitate the success of their programs at the Northern Virginia campus.

His experience in a variety of capacities at Regent gives Pittman an intricate knowledge of university operations.

He has been employed by Regent for more than 14 years. His previous positions include assistant director of admissions, director of financial aid, and assistant vice president for administrative and auxiliary services.

Pittman is married to the former Janet Griffin of Bailey, who also works at Regent as the desktop application specialist for the Computer Services Department. Jeff and Janet Pittman currently reside in Chesapeake.

## All participants are winners in Special Olympics

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ball, we still applauded them. There's such team spirit here today. As soon as players release the ball, you see them hugging each other. Everyone backs each other up. I've had people come up here and tell me that they already can't wait for next November."

The program is getting bigger all the time. "Each year," Pulizzi asserts, "we get more and more participants and volunteers."

One volunteer was Ed Cornwell, who had the highest score of the afternoon with a 257.

"Coaching these people is a lot of fun," Cornwell said. "You meet a lot of new people, and you get to help them. From what I saw today, everyone was enjoying themselves a lot. Whether they were bowling well or not, everyone had a good time."

"This is my second time here for the Tidewater event," said Justin Moseby of Radford, "and I think that everyone learns a lot more out here with each other than they do when they bowl alone."

Many organizations aided in the event, including the International Brotherhood of Boilermakers Club 684, which represents the employees of Norshipco.

"We manned the lanes, and kept the scores for the day," explained Johnny Thomas, club president.

"Not only the players had fun, but we did too. This was better than I thought it would be. When you see the faces of the Special Olympics participants, you can tell that they're very excited."

After the scores were tallied, the top rollers for the day were brought to an Olympic-style platform and awarded medals. But for the participants, winning wasn't the important thing.

Roonke resident Shannon Smith is an eight-year veteran of the Special Olympics. "I had a great time out here," said Smith, who rolled a 201. "Everyone has been really nice to me today."

"I've been with the Special Olympics for about nine years," said Brian Zimmerman of Princess Anne County. "But I've loved bowling for my entire life. I could have bowled better today, but I still had a blast."

"I've had a great time here, and so have the kids," said Ann Griffith of Richmond, as she watched her grandson roll the ball.

"Everything went very well. I think that this makes everyone feel good, it makes them feel that they can do everything that normal people can."

"The Special Olympics have been wonderful for my grandsons," Griffith continued. "It has brought them out, made them feel wonderful about themselves. They don't think that they're the only ones who can't learn and can't play. Out here, it doesn't matter if players threw a gutter ball — everyone here still cheers them on."

"I scored in the 130s today," recalled Paul Maretti of Richmond. "That's my average, but I could get higher if I really wanted to. I had a lot of fun out here today."

"My highest game was 175 today, and you better believe that I had a good time today!" said Michael Lee, Maretti's roommate.

"This event was perfect. You better believe that I'll be back here next year!"



**SENDING A MESSAGE.** Diane Miller, community public relations manager for VOLUNTEER Hampton Roads, noted that volunteers are making a difference in the region. Looking on is Charles Taylor, board member.

## Luncheon message clear: Be a volunteer

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week of National Family Volunteer Day at the volunteer coordination organization's Ghent Center office.

National Family Volunteer Day will bring together connected groups of people — whether traditional families or neighbors or friends or coworkers, however you want to define families — to pack food, personal items and household goods for the homeless shelters throughout Hampton Roads.

While adults and teen-agers pack items, children will make cards to go along with the packages.

"It will be helping the community," said Diane Miller, community relations manager for VOLUNTEER Hampton Roads. "Helping people just like us who are in need."

At last year's National Family Volunteer Day, the first time it was held in Hampton Roads, 250 boxes of food were packaged. This past June, the Points of Light Foundation presented VOLUNTEER Hampton Roads with an award for "Exemplary Family Volunteer Involvement" for the 1999 project.

"Volunteers are doing this and they are building a strong community," Miller added.

Scott Rigell, president and CEO of Freedom Automotive, added his experiences from last year's Family Day.

He explained that most of the 250 people who had volunteered did not know each other before meeting that day.

"Laughter and smiles filled the room," said Rigell. "They made cards for children in shelters giving them words of encouragement, letting them know that someone cared about them."

He was impressed by the family aspect and the chance to model right behaviors for children and an improvement over other voluntary programs that ask only for the help of adults.

"It's important for my kids to see me and my wife load boxes on a Saturday morning," Rigell added. "That's a good thing. It's even better than if it were every Thursday evening and did not involve them."

Rigell recalled that, at first, his children were a little suspect and unsure but by the time they finished they had had a wonderful time. Since then, two of his daughters have performed volunteer service in Nicaragua at an orphanage.

VOLUNTEER Hampton Roads is a clearinghouse that connects volunteers with many appropriate projects throughout the community in addition to National Family Volunteer Day.

It offers connections for community-minded people to mentor children, spend time with the elderly, serve at an animal shelter, give tours at museums, become a victim advocate, clean up the environment, assist an organization with its special events, teach children or adults to read, and share with those in need.

Last year, its volunteers installed the KidsPort playground in the Park View section of Portsmouth.

The areas of focus for VOLUNTEER Hampton Roads include the VOLUNTEER Hampton Roads Corps, VOLUNTEER Hampton Roads Corporate Volunteer Council, Training and Education for volunteers, South Hampton Roads Alliance for Youth, Hampton Roads Volunteer Achievement Awards, and Community Kids Service Projects.

## ROTC Cadet Trias awarded scholarship

Virginia Beach resident Carolyn Trias has received a U.S. Automobile Association Award and Scholarship for her accomplishments as a student at Old Dominion University and in the Army ROTC program.

The \$10,000 award is given to students based on a "total person" concept, including academic standing, involvement in school and extracurricular activities, honors and leadership positions held.

Trias, an English major at Old Dominion, writes for the university student newspaper and military journals. She is listed in "Who's Who Among College Students" and is a member of Sigma Tau Delta English honor society.

Ranked as an MS-V in the university's Army ROTC program, Trias works in public relations and helps recruit new cadets. At the unit's five-week basic camp, she finished fourth overall and earned the highest score in leadership points. Trias received the Turley Award in 1999 for maintaining her position as co-cadet.

She holds a bachelor's degree in communications from DeSales University.

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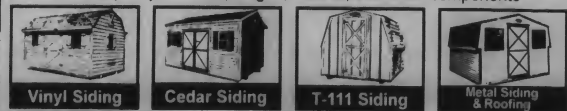
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## 'Carving' their niche

The world has gone to pumpkins! Pumpkins have a special meaning for this time of year carved, put in pies and cookies, made into decorations, but globes? Third-grade students at Princess Anne Elementary School exhibited their SOL social studies skills as well as their artistic ability by drawing, then painting, pumpkins into globes. Taking part in the activity were student Justin Provo and parent volunteer Kerri Provo.

## SCHOOL BRIEFS

■ Red Mill Elementary School students collected \$361.56 for the United Way.

■ Red Mill Elementary School will hold the "Who Wants To Be A Red Millionaire?" contest in honor of Children's Book Week, Nov. 13-17. For more information contact Anita Bullard, librarian.

■ Red Mill Elementary School will award the Decorated Dolphin Awards to students with outstanding citizenship on Thursday, Nov. 16 at 8:15 a.m. in the cafeteria.

■ Red Mill Elementary School students in kindergarten will have their Thanksgiving feasts on the following days: afternoon kindergarten, Monday, Nov. 20, at 1:15 p.m. and morning kindergarten, Tuesday, Nov. 21, at 8:30 a.m.

■ Red Mill Elementary School Kindergarten Program will be held Tuesday, Nov. 21, at 7:15 p.m. in the school cafeteria. The kindergarten students will perform Thanksgiving songs.

■ The Green Run Elementary kindergarten classes and preschool classes will have a Thanksgiving Feast in the school cafeteria on Friday, Nov. 17. The morning classes will dine at 10:30 a.m., and the afternoon classes will celebrate their meal at 1:30 p.m. The children will dress in Pilgrim and Indian hats that they have made. They will feast on cornbread, popcorn, cranberry bread, pumpkin pie, and apple juice.

■ On Nov. 21 the first grade classes at Green Run Elementary School will perform "The Eagle and The Turkey."

The performance will take place at the 7 p.m. PTA meeting in the school cafeteria. This musical is about how the eagle became the symbol of our national bird.

Also at this meeting, there will be T-shirts for sale by Image Dynamics. The sales representative for these shirts will also be selling during lunches on Nov. 20 and 21. October good citizens will receive their awards at this PTA meeting.

■ Honor roll assemblies will be held on Wednesday, Nov. 22. Grades four and five honor roll students will be recognized at 8:45 a.m. in the cafeteria. Third grade students will attend their honor roll assembly at 9:15 a.m.

## Manager hired

Dan Edwards has been hired as the sports manager for the Junior Olympic Games.

His responsibilities will include the coordination of events, venues and staffing for the games that will be held in Hampton Roads July 25 through Aug. 5.

In 1998, the seven-city Hampton Roads region hosted the highly successful and well-received Junior Olympic Games with approximately 12,000 athletes in attendance that generated more than \$30 million in economic impact.

Edwards is chairman of the Virginia Beach School Board and is a member of the Tidewater Striders Running Club and the Norfolk Sports Club. He is a certified Virginia High School League Track and Field official and an IAABO basketball referee.

He received bachelor's degree from Northwestern University, his master's from the Naval Postgraduate School and his M.B.A. from the College of William and Mary.

## ARE CALENDAR

The Association for Research and Enlightenment announces its schedule of free lectures for the week of Nov. 12-18:

■ Sunday, Nov. 12 - "Mind Is The Builder," by Doug Hough.

■ Monday, Nov. 13 - "Ancient Civilizations: Egypt," by Grace Yuksek.

■ Tuesday, Nov. 14 - "Meditation," by Meredith Puryear.

■ Wednesday, Nov. 15 - "Relationships," by Celia Maris.

■ Thursday, Nov. 16 - "Intuition," by Frances Ellen Worrell.

■ Friday, Nov. 17 - "Health, Healing, and Diet," by Whitney Foster.

■ Saturday, Nov. 18 - "Reincarnation," by Walene James.

## LEGAL NOTICES

Auction: 1993 Dodge Van  
Serial: 2B6HB21X2PK520279  
Auction Date: November 13, 2000

Time: 11:00 a.m. at Auto Heaven, 1766 Virginia Beach Boulevard, Virginia Beach, VA 23451

Auto Funding Corp. reserves the right to bid.

### Public Notice

TRUSTEE SALE  
3626 Chimney Creek Drive  
Virginia Beach, VA

In execution of a Deed of Trust from Christopher T. Lynch dated April 25, 1995 and recorded in the Clerk's Office, Circuit Court, City of Virginia Beach, Virginia, in Deed Book 3491, page 1712, securing a loan which was originally \$64,315.00. Default having occurred in the payment of the Note thereby secured, and at the request of the holder of said Note, the undersigned Substitute Trustees will offer for sale at public auction at the front steps of the Municipal Building #1, near the corner of Princess Anne & North Landing, Virginia Beach, Virginia on December 1, 2000 at 8:01 A.M., the property described in said Deed of Trust, located at the above address and briefly described as:

Lot 5, in Block Q, as shown on that certain plat entitled "Subdivision of Townhomes at Chimney Hill, Section five, Kempville Borough, Virginia Beach, Virginia." Tax Map #1486-35-0105-0000

The property will be conveyed by Special Warranty Deed, subject to all existing easements, restrictions and any other conditions that may affect title to the property. The Noteholder reserves the right to bid at the sale.

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FOR INFORMATION CONTACT: Between 8 - 11 AM Nectar Projects, Inc. Substitute Trustees 751 Miller Drive, Suite G1 Leesburg, Virginia 20175 (703) 777-8619

### Public Notice

TRUSTEE SALE  
4653 Boxford Road  
Virginia Beach, VA

In execution of a Deed of Trust from Ordean Wynn Bond dated May 31, 1996 and recorded in the Clerk's Office, Circuit Court, City of Virginia Beach, Virginia, in Deed Book 3623, page 1599, securing a loan which was originally \$1119,900.00. Default having occurred in the payment of the Note thereby secured, and at the request of the holder of said Note, the undersigned Substitute Trustees will offer for sale at public auction at the front steps of the Municipal Building #1, near the corner of Princess Anne & North Landing, Virginia Beach, Virginia on November 17, 2000 at 8:03 A.M., the property described in said Deed of Trust, located at the above address and briefly described as:

Lot 1, Block C, as shown on that certain plat entitled, "Subdivision of Salem Woods, Section Seventeen Part-one." Tax Map #14752681310000

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TRUSTEE SALE  
309 Sunflower Court  
Virginia Beach, VA

In execution of a Deed of Trust from Lydia Haley dated October 14, 1997 and recorded in the Clerk's Office, Circuit Court, City of Virginia Beach, Virginia, in Deed Book 3623, page 1599, securing a loan which was originally \$1119,900.00. Default having occurred in the payment of the Note thereby secured, and at the request of the holder of said Note, the undersigned Substitute Trustees will offer for sale at public auction at the front steps of the Municipal Building #1, near the corner of Princess Anne & North Landing, Virginia Beach, Virginia on November 17, 2000 at 8:03 A.M., the property described in said Deed of Trust, located at the above address and briefly described as:

Lot 1, Block C, as shown on that certain plat entitled, "Subdivision of Salem Woods, Section Seventeen Part-one." Tax Map #14752681310000

The property will be conveyed by Special Warranty Deed, subject to all existing easements, restrictions and any other conditions that may affect title to the property. The Noteholder reserves the right to bid at the sale.

TERMS: CASH: A bidder's deposit of \$11,400.00, cash or certified check, will be required at the time of sale with the settlement and full payment of the purchase price within (15) fifteen days from the date of the sale. Additional terms will be announced at the time of sale and the successful bidder will be required to execute and deliver to the Substitute Trustee a memorandum or contract of the sale at the conclusion of bidding.

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Conventional  
NP007679  
FOR INFORMATION  
CONTACT:  
Between 8 - 11 AM  
Nectar Projects, Inc.  
Substitute Trustees  
751 Miller Drive, Suite G1  
Leesburg, Virginia 20175  
(703) 777-8619

### Public Notice

TRUSTEE SALE  
726 Alder Circle  
Virginia Beach, VA

In execution of a Deed of Trust from Christopher P. Jenson and Tammy Lynn Jenson dated September 27, 1996 and recorded in the Clerk's Office, Circuit Court, City of Virginia Beach, Virginia, in Deed Book 3665, page 1180, securing a loan which was originally \$66,002.00. Default having occurred in the payment of the Note thereby secured, and at the request of the holder of said Note, the undersigned Substitute Trustees will offer for sale at public auction at the front steps of the Municipal Building #1, near the corner of Princess Anne & North Landing, Virginia Beach, Virginia on December 1, 2000 at 8:00 A.M., the property described in said Deed of Trust, located at the above address and briefly described as:

Lot 36, Block A on that certain plat entitled "Subdivision of Timberlake, Section 4, Kempville, Virginia Beach, Virginia." Tax Map #1476593060000

The property will be conveyed by Special Warranty Deed, subject to all existing easements, restrictions and any other conditions that may affect title to the property. The Noteholder reserves the right to bid at the sale.

TERMS: CASH: A bidder's deposit of \$6,800.00, cash or certified check, will be required at the time of sale with the settlement and full payment of the purchase price within (15) fifteen days from the date of the sale. Additional terms will be announced at the time of sale and the successful bidder will be required to execute and deliver to the Substitute Trustee a memorandum or contract of the sale at the conclusion of bidding.

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### Public Notice

TRUSTEE SALE  
3888 Donnington Drive  
Virginia Beach, VA

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Lot 35, as shown on that certain plat entitled "SUBDIVISION OF NEW CASTLE SECTION TWO, KEMPVILLE BOROUGH, VIRGINIA BEACH, VIRGINIA." Tax

Map 3799, page 923, securing a loan which was originally \$74,795.00. Default having occurred in the payment of the Note thereby secured, and at the request of the holder of said Note, the undersigned Substitute Trustees will offer for sale at public auction at the front steps of the Municipal Building #1, near the corner of Princess Anne & North Landing, Virginia Beach, Virginia on December 1, 2000 at 8:04 A.M., the property described in said Deed of Trust, located at the above address and briefly described as:

Lot 12, on that plat entitled "Subdivision of Reagan Woods, Lynnhaven Borough, Virginia Beach, Virginia." Tax Map #14978780610000

The property will be conveyed by Special Warranty Deed, subject to all existing easements, restrictions and any other conditions that may affect title to the property. The Noteholder reserves the right to bid at the sale.

TERMS: CASH: A bidder's deposit of \$7,200.00, cash or certified check, will be required at the time of sale with the settlement and full payment of the purchase price within (15) fifteen days from the date of the sale. Additional terms will be announced at the time of sale and the successful bidder will be required to execute and deliver to the Substitute Trustee a memorandum or contract of the sale at the conclusion of bidding.

This notice is an attempt to collect on a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose. Loan Type: FHA. NP007692

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CHANGE OF ZONING DISTRICT CLASSIFICATION: DISTRICT 7 - PRINCESS ANNE

4. An Ordinance upon Application of Oxford Properties, L.L.C., d/b/a Dam Neck Self Storage for a Change of Zoning District Classification from AG-2 Agricultural District to Conditional B-1A Limited Community Business District on the east side of General Booth Boulevard, north of Culver Lane (GPIN #2415-31-8553; #2415-31-8485). The proposed zoning classification change to Conditional B-1A is for lot intensity commercial land use. The Comprehensive Plan recommends use of this parcel for suburban residential/medium & high density at densities that are compatible with townhouse and multi-family use in accordance with other Plan policies. Said parcel is located at 1874 General Booth Boulevard and contains 2,318 acres. DISTRICT 7 - PRINCESS ANNE.

CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT: 5. An Ordinance upon Application of Oxford Properties, L.L.C., d/b/a Dam Neck Self Storage for a Conditional Use Permit for mini-warehouses on the east side of General Booth Boulevard, north of Culver Lane (GPIN #2415-31-8553). Said parcel is located at 1874 General Booth Boulevard and contains 2,318 acres. DISTRICT 7 - PRINCESS ANNE.

6. An Ordinance upon Application of Bonney Bright for a Conditional Use Permit for a borrow pit expansion on property located on the east side of Princess Anne Road beginning at a point 2,172 feet south of the intersection with Pocahontas Club Road (GPIN #2317-62-1327; #2317-72-3259; #2317-61-2520). Said parcel contains 162 acres. DISTRICT 7 - PRINCESS ANNE.

7. An Ordinance upon Application of Outdoor Resorts of Virginia Beach Condominium Assoc., Inc., for a Conditional Use Permit for a community pier on the west side of Sandpiper Road, south of Kabler Road (GPIN #2432-64-3158). Said property is located at 3665 Sandpiper Road and contains 62.573 acres. DISTRICT 7 - PRINCESS ANNE.

All interested parties are invited to attend. Ruth Hodges Smith, MMC City Clerk

If you are physically disabled or visually impaired and need assistance at this meeting, please call the CITY CLERK'S OFFICE at 427-4303. Hearing impaired, call TDD only 427-4305 (TDD - Telephonic Device for the Deaf).

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## LASKIN ROAD / ROUTE 58 CITY OF VIRGINIA BEACH

### Location and Design Public Hearing

#### Hearing:

Wednesday, November 15, 2000 \* 4:30p.m. to 7:00p.m. Virginia Beach Middle School located at 600 25th Street in the City of Virginia Beach

#### Purpose:

To provide you a chance, in an open forum, to review and discuss with Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) representatives preliminary plans for the proposed widening of Laskin Road (Route 58) from Republic Road to South Oriole Drive and the replacement of the existing bridge over Linkhorn Bay.

#### Review:

Maps, drawings, an environmental document and other data pertaining to the proposed project are available for review in the VDOT Hampton Roads District Office located at 1700 North Main Street in the City of Suffolk and in the VDOT Norfolk Residency Office located at 1992 South Military Highway in the City of Chesapeake.

#### Written Statements:

Oral statements will be taken at the hearing. Written statements and other exhibits relative to the proposed project may be submitted at the hearing or sent to the Department postmarked no later than 10 days after the hearing (November 25, 2000).

#### Right of Way:

Relocation assistance, right of way acquisition, together with tentative schedules and construction information will be discussed.

#### Special Assistance:

If you require special assistance to attend and participate in this meeting or need additional information please contact: Norfolk Residency: 1-888-723-8393 (toll free)

Device for the Hearing Impaired (TDD): 1-800-307-4630

VDOT Virginia Department of Transportation

Project: 0058-134-F02, PE-101, RW-201, C-501, B-603  
Federal Project STP-5403 ( )

## United Way of South Hampton Roads Virginia Beach Campaign



This thermometer shows the current amount raised from organizations and individuals participating in United Way campaigns in Virginia Beach. This year's total goal for the South Hampton Roads area is \$17,412,863.

Virginia Beach's  
Current  
Progress:

\$2,636,044

for

81% of goal

#### OUR GOAL:

\$ 3,255,728

100%

90%

80%

70%

60%

50%

40%





# Peace Corps director will address World Affairs Council

Continued From Page 1

at our colleges and universities. Hampton Roads is especially dependent upon what happens around the globe. We need to know about people working abroad and gain first-hand reports on the issues that exist. For these reasons, we are pleased to have the director visit our community. This is a program you should not miss," concluded Taylor.

"I wish everyone could be a Peace Corps volunteer," admitted Dries.

"I am passionate about it. I'd like to think that I helped people in Sierra Leone understand Americans a little better. I hope they got to know me and our culture through me."

"It was a period of tremendous growth for me as well. I departed a

young man of 22, just out of college, and came home 24, a grizzled veteran of the world. In many ways I think I saw how the rest of the world really lives, and it helped me grow up."

How the rest of the world really lives might shock some Hampton Roads residents. But with the Internet the world is getting smaller all the time. The Peace Corps intends to harness the power on the World Wide Web in the 21st century to aid economic development and reduce poverty in receptor nations.

Does this mean we will soon see a Cyber Café in Senegal or Slovenia?

To find out, the WAC invites you to attend their meeting next week, which is open to the public. For more information or reservations contact the WAC, 464-0200.

## CHECK IT OUT!

What: Mark L. Schneider will visit Hampton Roads next week to address area residents and the local chapter of the World Affairs Council.

When: Thursday, Nov. 16. A reception begins at 6:30 p.m. followed by dinner at 7 p.m. and the program at 8 p.m. Question and answer session to follow.

Where: Webb Center, Old Dominion University.

For more information: Call 464-0200. Deadline for reservations is noon Tuesday, Nov. 14.



## It's time to have a party

It was a Halloween party at the Sentara Village Assisted Living facility last week and the residents' special guests were youngsters from Windsor Woods Elementary School. Resident Eleanor Stapert, left, top photo, chatted with Shante Johnson while Donald Smith, left, bottom photo, read Froggy's Halloween to Delora Manning and W'Quan Adams.



## January storms send strong message

For severe winter weather, January 2000 will go down in the history books as a busy month. The snowstorm on Jan. 25 dumped 15 to 19 inches from Fauquier to Mecklenburg counties.

It paralyzed the state's highways, rail and transportation systems. Schools were closed for over a week. Even the U.S. Postal Service was at a stand still.

Less than a week later, an ice storm ripped through Central Virginia on Super Bowl Sunday, leaving an estimated 285,000 households without power.

"Last winter reminded us of the importance of preparing to be self-sufficient for several days," said Michael Cline, state coordinator for the Virginia Department of Emergency Management.

"The Jan. 25 snowstorm brought over a foot of snow to the eastern part of the state. This emphasizes

that all citizens of Virginia need to be prepared for severe winter weather, regardless of where they live."

The following tips can help you and your family get ready for the winter months.

■ Stock an emergency supply of water and non-perishable foods.

■ Make sure you have a flashlight, a battery-powered radio, spare batteries, a first-aid kit and extra prescription medications.

■ Connect your generator to the item you want to power. Do not connect the generator to your home's electrical system. Remember to place the generator outside in a well-ventilated area.

■ Keep an adequate supply of fuel for your home. In case you lose power, have an alternate heat source such as a wood stove, fireplace or space heater.

■ To prevent hypothermia, dress warmly. Several layers of lighter clothing or blankets are better than a single, heavy layer. Wear a hat when going outside. Nearly half of your body's heat is lost through the head.

■ Check on elderly neighbors and relatives. The elderly are es-

pecially susceptible to hypothermia, even inside their homes. Make sure walkways and sidewalks are clear. Icy surfaces can be slippery and dangerous.

■ Be sure your car is in good running order. Have a mechanic check your battery, antifreeze, wipers and thermostat. Make sure your tires have good traction to drive in snow.

■ Keep basic items in your car such as a windshield scraper, battery booster cables, tow chain, bag of sand, blanket, flashlight, first-aid kit, road map and some non-perishable food.

■ Stay at home unless you absolutely have to drive.

■ If you get stranded in a snowstorm, stay in your car. Don't seek shelter or a telephone unless you can see one close by. For heat, turn on the car engine for brief periods.

■ To keep pipes from freezing, wrap them in pipe insulation. During long cold periods, allow each faucet to drip. This will help to prevent the pipes from freezing.

■ Cold weather puts a strain on the heart, even without exertion. Be careful when shoveling snow or pushing a car.

## THE VIRGINIA BEACH SUN

## Church maintaining tradition of celebrating traditional holiday

By Jane Rowe  
Correspondent

In the early 19th century, Methodism was still a new religion in Princess Anne County. Land cost \$20 per acre, churches were built of white clapboard, and they served as the cornerstone of the community.

Children studied spelling and reading, as well as scripture in Sunday school, and they could be expelled for not obeying the teacher.

A lot has changed since then, but a lot hasn't. Tabernacle Methodist Church still serves as the cornerstone of the Sigma Community, and the historic church will celebrate its history at the 23rd annual Colonial Dinner, scheduled for Nov. 18 from 4:30 to 7:30 p.m. at 1265 Sandbridge Road.

The dinner, which is served by kerosene lamp, will feature the regional food similar to that eaten by 18th and 19th century Virginians. It began as a fundraiser to help restore the 170-year-old church, but it's now a well-established part of community life.

"When we started to restore this church, everybody in the community helped us so much," said Ann Henley, who helps organize the Colonial Dinner. "They wanted to see it restored instead of torn down, because this church is the center of the community."

The Tabernacle congregation began in 1789, when circuit riders brought Methodism into Princess Anne County. The residents of the southern area, formerly devout Anglicans, and soon there were enough Methodists in Sigma to justify building a church.

In 1825, they bought one acre of land for \$20, and the small, high-ceiling building, constructed in the familiar architecture of many early American churches, was completed in 1830.

Family names, including Land, Eaton, Bonney and Whitehurst, that are listed on early church records indicate that the descendants of many of the founding families still attend that church. These carefully-preserved records provide other clues to the 19th century local culture.

Sunday school and church attendance was carefully recorded, "and there's one book from the

1860s that mentions that a lot of the men were away at war," Henley said.

The children's behavior was strictly monitored, and the by-laws clearly spelled out what was expected of teachers and students. The children were expected to come to class prepared to recite their lessons, and whispering, giggling, or eating were strictly forbidden. Teachers were expected to keep order, and children could be expelled for disrespect.

Each Sunday's lessons included reading and spelling assignments as well as Bible studies, Henley speculates that Sunday School served to supplement the normal school curriculum.

"The children lived on farms, and they worked all of the time," she said. "Some of them probably didn't have a lot of time to attend school except on Sunday."

The church was remodeled in 1908, and in the 1930s Sunday School classrooms were added to the original one-room structure.

By the 1970s, the old building had badly deteriorated, and the Sunday services were held in a modern brick building built in 1970. The church members, reluctant to tear the 1830 building down, began to brainstorm for ideas for fund-raisers to restore the building.

The credit for the colonial dinner, which now attracts about 300 people each year, goes to members Etta Mae Land and June Morris, Henley said.

The church ladies were already renowned for their regional cooking, since they had been hosting the Lotus Luncheon each July since the 1950s.

Land and Morris thought that harvest season would be the perfect time to schedule a meal that would celebrate the church's history and highlight the community's agrarian roots.

The ladies wanted the meal to

feature traditional food, such as might have been eaten by the earliest church members.

"They did a lot of research," Henley said. "They went back and looked in recipe books from colonial Williamsburg, because they wanted it to be as authentic as possible."

The menu includes country ham, turkey and dressing with gravy, collards, sweet potatoes, corn pudding, string beans, rolls or corn bread, pies, and bread pudding with lemon sauce.

"We haven't really changed anything since we started," Henley said. "And June still makes her hot apple cider from a recipe that she and Etta Mae created."

The event requires a team effort from everyone in the small congregation. The ladies prepare and serve the hams, turkeys, vegetables and desserts, the youth help bus tables and clean, and the men help to set up. The church members also pitch in to bake cakes and pies and make crafts for the bazaar and bake sale held at the same time.

Volunteers prepare the vegetables and desserts from the same recipes that Morris and Land compiled, and the vegetable dishes are usually prepared from locally grown produce.

Many of the recipes from the Colonial Dinner, including this one for corn pudding, are also included in *Through the Generations: 168 Years of Sharing, the church's latest cookbook*:

### Corn Pudding

4 tbsp cornstarch  
4 eggs  
1 and 1/2 cup sugar  
4 tbsp melted butter  
2 cans evaporated milk  
2 cans cream style corn  
Mix first three ingredients, and add the milk and corn. Pour into a dish, pour the butter on top. Bake at 325 degrees for one hour.

## DEFINITELY Downtown



November 18, 2000  
7:00 pm



November 25, 2000  
6:00 pm



December 9, 2000  
12 noon - 8 pm

## NEW YEAR'S EVE FIREWORKS CELEBRATION

December 31, 2000  
94.9 minutes 'til midnight

When you're looking for great holiday entertainment, it's definitely Downtown

Downtown Norfolk Council 757-623-1757

## Council denies tax exempt status for two groups; approval for two

By Lee Cahill  
City Council Reporter

A wildlife organization which originated in Virginia Beach in 1992 failed to receive the support of City Council in its bid for tax-exempt status.

In making his motion for denial Tuesday, Councilman W.W. Harrison Jr. said there was not enough nexus for the property and the purpose of the American Environmental Foundation to forgo the income the city would receive from taxes the city would receive.

The organization owns real property on Laskin Road assessed at \$261,434 where taxes are \$3,189.50, and personal property valued at approximately \$5,000, where taxes would be approximately \$74 annually.

The state legislature makes the final decision on exemption but requests a resolution of the local governing body supporting such an exemption. Property used for religious, charitable, patriotic, historical, benevolent, cultural or public park and playground purposes may be exempted from classification by a three-count vote of the General Assembly.

When no one appeared to speak for the resolution on the Conspiracy of Silence Ministries International, Council denied that resolution as well.

A resolution supporting the exemption

requests of the Friends School and the Kings Grant Community League, Inc. were approved.

Davis, speaking for the environmental foundation, said that the organization is dedicated to stopping cruelty to animals in the wild which takes the form, he said, of hunting by helicopter, killing bears to sell their paws, killing tigers for their tails and in the Chesapeake Bay area including Virginia Beach to prevent the poisoning of seagulls. He said that some state organization is poisoning the seagulls but the foundation wants to know who they are.

The building on Laskin Road, he said, would be used for office space, a small garage for volunteers — all members are volunteers — and storage space for donated cars. The organization is supported by donations.

He said that members are working in conjunction with different organizations like the one in Tennessee which is buying up land to allow formerly captive elephants to live in a wild environment.

Davis said that while the state and the city take care of people nobody really takes care of wild animals.

He said that there aren't too many wild animals in Virginia Beach or Hampton Roads, but that the organization is trying

to find out who are poisoning the gulls.

Mayor Meyera Oberdorf asked about cooperation with other organizations, such as the People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals (PETA) and other animal rights organizations. PETA is opposed to the expansion of the Virginia Marine Science Museum to house a dolphin tank.

Councilman W.W. Harrison Jr. asked outright whether the organization had any position pro or against the Marine Science Museum.

Biggs said that the organization is not political and that it does not oppose the dolphin tank expansion. He said that the organization — its first and only chapter is the one in Virginia Beach — tries to create public awareness. Of the 20 to 30 volunteers most come from Virginia Beach.

The Conspiracy of Silence was chartered "to fight the epidemic of sexual abuse and domestic and dating violence." The taxes on its assessed personal property are \$234.95.

The tax exemption for the Friends School, which already has an exemption on its Laskin Road School, was for its thrift shop on Virginia Beach Boulevard where the taxes are \$4,315 and its personal property where its taxes are \$370.

The exemption for the civic league would be on three parcels of land used by school groups and other organizations for a variety of activities and recreational purposes. A boat ramp is also located on this land.

## Dealership denied rezoning request

By Lee Cahill  
City Council Reporter

Checkered Flag was interested only in purchasing property to add to its dealership on N. Lynnhaven Road. The owner of the property, a private home and a cinder block building, wanted only to sell his property to Checkered Flag.

Neither was interested in a transitional use, such as office and institutional that would not fit in with the dealership's needs.

The result: City Council Tuesday denied by a vote of 8-2 the request of Checkered Flag for a change of zoning from R-10 residential district on the west side of North Lynnhaven Road, south of Virginia Beach Boulevard to conditional B-2 community business district after

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## Evangelical comedy

Faith can be funny, according to comic Chonda Pierce. And after spending most of her life growing up in church on the second row, piano side, she has earned her stripes to poke gentle fun at the church.

"I grew up Nazarene and married a Baptist," she explains from the stage in her deep, southern accent. "Now I'm just confused. I got saved 342 times just to make sure it stuck. My husband got saved once...that really ticks me off!"

Pierce will bring her special humor to Rock Church of Virginia Beach Saturday at 7 p.m. as part of the Soapbox Tour.

In addition to Pierce's comedy, the Soapbox Tour will present special guest The Burchfields, who perform selections from their CD, "Walk In The Forest."

Tickets are \$14, \$16 and \$18 and available at local Christian bookstores or by calling, 1-800-965-9324.

## NSDAR meeting

The Lynnhaven Parish chapter, NSDAR, will meet at 10 a.m. in the Virginia Beach Central Library on Saturday. The speaker will be a chapter member, Master Chief Petty Officer Susan Hippen, who will talk about "Women in the Navy."

## Giving thanks

Several oceanfront congregations will participate in a community Thanksgiving service scheduled Wednesday, Nov. 22, at 7:30 p.m., at Virginia Beach United Methodist Church, 19th Street and Pacific Avenue.

The Rev. Jay G. Smith, pastor of First Baptist Church, will preach. Deborah Carr, music director of Virginia Beach United Methodist Church, will direct a community choir.

Also participating will be First Presbyterian Church, Star of the Sea Catholic Church and Temple Emanuel. Free parking is available. Call 428-7727 for information.

## Christmas bazaar

To celebrate the Christmas season, the Chesapeake Beach Volunteer Rescue Squad, 2444 Pleasure House Road, will be holding its fourth annual Christmas Bazaar Sunday, Dec. 3 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. This will be a family-oriented event that will include facepainting, games for kids, family safety information, giveaways, food, drinks and more. We will also have an indoor bazaar with more than 30 vendors from all over the area on hand selling a wide variety of merchandise. Santa Claus will be on hand to greet the kids and pose for pictures.

This event is free and is open to the public. It is our way of bringing together our EMS crew and the neighborhood community. There will be lots of activities for everyone. Tables are available for \$20.

For more information call Robin Rahuba, 318-6014.

## Puppet show

The Kempsville Area Library, 832 Kempsville Rd., will present their fourth annual "Family Christmas Puppet Show," Dec. 11 and 12 at 7 p.m. The whole family is invited for an evening of holiday entertainment. Call 495-1016 to register, beginning Monday, Nov. 20. Participation is limited to 100.

## Basketball camp

The Paul Webb Holiday Basketball Camp will be held Dec. 26-29 from 9 a.m. to noon at the Great Neck, Kempsville and Princess Anne community recreation centers. Cost is \$80 and is open to boys and girls in grades one through eight. To register call 464-4561.

## Toys for Tots

In support of the USMC annual Toys for Tots campaign, the Retired Officers Association will host a Christmas cocktail party at the Oceana Officers Club on Wednesday, Dec. 6, at 6:30 p.m. Guests are encouraged to donate an unwrapped toy suitable for boys and girls of all ages for collection and distribution by USMC representatives. For reservations, call 464-6799 no later than noon, Nov. 30.

## Colonial Dinner

Tabernacle United Methodist, 1265 Sandbridge Rd., will hold its 23rd annual Colonial Dinner Saturday, Nov. 18 from 4:30 to 7:30 p.m. The menu includes country ham, turkey, dressing, collards, snags, corn pudding, sweet potatoes, dessert and drink. Admission for adults is \$8, children \$4. The Christmas Shop will include crafts, baked goods, jellies, breads and a new cookbook. For more information call, 426-6991 or 426-2690.

## Flanagan family knows how to talk turkey

By Bob Ruegsegger  
Correspondent

R. David Flanagan has been raising turkeys most of his life. Both his father and grandfather raised turkeys. Roy, David Flanagan's son, has also become part of that tradition.

Raising America's favorite festive fowl has been a Flanagan family tradition for generations.

The Flanagan Farm in Pungo probably sells more fresh turkeys than anyone else in the area.

"Most of them (fresh turkeys) come from here. We've got more turkeys than anybody else around," Flanagan said. "Probably more than anybody else in the eastern part of Virginia. That's not to say we're big, but we're bigger than most of them."

Some local folks could not conceive of Thanksgiving — or Christmas for that matter — without a fresh Flanagan bird on the table.

The Flanagan Farm is generally a busy place, and — with Thanksgiving just around the corner — it's soon going to get a lot busier. In another week or so, Flanagan will begin preparing 380 turkeys for the holidays ahead. "We don't

get the calls for turkeys on Christmas the way we do for Thanksgiving."

Flanagan purchased 400 poults (baby turkeys) in June from Sleepy Creek Hatchery in Goldsboro, N.C. He has lost 20 birds this year for assorted reasons. This has been a good year. Last year he lost 50 fowl.

"You lose some every year," he said. "We've gotten more turkeys this year because we lost so many last year," explained Flanagan. "We haven't gotten quite all of them sold."

Predators and sickness account for the loss of the young turkeys. Flanagan is ever vigilant; he maintains his fence and keeps his eyes peeled for earthbound and airborne varmints.

"You don't want animals to get in there," stressed Flanagan. So far, the fence has been keeping the opossums and foxes out.

"There are a lot of foxes in the area. They're getting to be a problem. Nobody hunts foxes anymore. Now they're getting real prevalent in the area," he said.

Airborne invaders have been another matter. "An owl can get in there and take several of them. He'll kill them and cut the head and neck off. He'll go away with the head and neck and leave the turkey."

Sickness has also taken a share of Flanagan's fowl over the years. Cholera and blackhead are among the diseases that concern turkey farmers. "Usually, if you feed them medicated feed, that takes care of it usually," he said.

Raising turkeys requires water. "They need a lot of water. We have automatic fountains right now," Flanagan said. "We try to keep water by them at all times."

Although there are many modern varieties of turkeys, they all evolved from the wild turkey indigenous to America.

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A REAL HEN PARTY. Do they know their fate? If so, these hens at the Flanagan Farm in Pungo aren't talking about Thanksgiving. But many of them will be the guest of honor in hundreds of area homes next week.

## Newest TCC degree concentrates on theater

By Jason Norman  
Correspondent

"Last year," said Bob Arthur, theater professor at the Virginia Beach Tidewater Community College campus, "was the most successful year in the history of our college."

That's certainly true. The Chesapeake campus' production of "Blood Wedding" won the Portfolio Magazine award for Best Drama, and the free outdoor festival "Shakespeare in the Grove," attracted thousands to Chesapeake last summer for performances of such works as "The Comedy of Errors."

At the same time, TCC participated in the development of a one-week summer Shakespeare Institute, allowing students ages 12 to 16 to experience a true hands-on exploration of Shakespearean theater.

The college also performed sea-themed plays during OpSail 2000 in a park near several tall ships in Chesapeake, and held role-playing sessions for the Eastern Virginia Medical School, as well as other area police and health departments.

Yes, the TCC theater department was heavily in the public eye for much of 1999 and early 2000. But if all goes as

planned, the school will find even more fame and fortune for the upcoming school year. The college recently launched a brand new Associate Degree program in the curriculum of General Studies.

Specializing in the areas of Theater Arts: Performance and Technical Theater, this program will require student actors and directors to undergo between 26 and 29 extra hours beyond their general education requirements.

But this is the only downside to the program, which is intended to provide students with a newly-discovered foundation in appreciation, history, performance, theory and theatrical technology and management.

"We just want to be on the cutting edge," said Ed Jacob, director of TCC's theater program, which recently gave a performance of "The Cripple of Innishman," in its renovated theater.

"The goal, though, is not just staging plays. Theater is definitely an introduction to the overall human experience."

Indeed, this program will address a



NEW PROGRAM. The stage is set for Tidewater Community College's newest degree offering specializing in the theater.

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# Commentary

## BOUNTIFUL BLESSING

### Thanksgiving

Aside from Independence Day, Thanksgiving is the most important of all the United States' secular, national holidays. It stands not just for a day of food and merriment, home and hearth, but as a memorial to the struggle and strife of our ancestors as they began a new life on this continent.

Growing up, Thanksgiving Day's real importance was stressed to us in school through our history books, class plays and, perhaps, even re-enactments of the first Thanksgiving feast.

As adults we sometimes forget the original purpose of the holiday. Instead of being observed as a day of gratitude, it turns into a day off from work, a day to park in front of the television for parades and football, a day to gorge on food.

Today in the United States, Thanksgiving is the annual day of thanks for the blessings of the past year, observed on the fourth Thursday of November in each of the 50 states, the district of Columbia and Puerto Rico.

The celebration, according to tradition, began with the Pilgrims. After that colony's survival through a bitterly cold winter and the gathering of the harvest, Gov. William Bradford of Plymouth Colony, Mass. issued a Thanksgiving proclamation in the fall of 1621.

That first celebration of the holiday was marked by three days of feasting and games with Native Americans as the guests. Venison and wild turkey were the food of choice.

The holiday's origin are debatable. Many historians believe early settlers celebrated the first humble Thanksgiving on Virginia's Berkley Plantation in 1619, two years before their northern counterparts.

Days of thanksgiving were celebrated sporadically until Nov. 26, 1789 at which time President George Washington issued a proclamation for a nationwide day of thanksgiving. Washington specified the day should be one of prayer and giving thanks to God. Additionally, it was to be celebrated by all religions, helping to promote a spirit of common heritage.

Credit for establishing this day as a national holiday, however, is attributed to Sarah J. Hale, editor and founder of *Ladies Magazine* in Boston. Her editorials in the magazine, and letters to President Abraham Lincoln, urging the formal establishment of Thanksgiving as a holiday, resulted in Lincoln's proclamation designating the last Thursday of November as Thanksgiving — all in the midst of the Civil War.

In 1941, Congress adopted a resolution setting the date again, on the fourth Thursday of November. It has been celebrated on that date ever since.

This Thanksgiving, pause to reflect riches, however meager, of our lives. Do not forget the true spirit of the holiday.

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## A bad prescription for America

As we all sit on tether-hooks wondering who is to be our President for the next four years, I can't help but marvel at the support George W. Bush was able to garner without ever getting down to the details of his agenda for America.

We learned almost nothing of how Bush would keep his promises if elected to the highest office of our land.

### Perspectives

By Eileen Huey, columnist

I suppose it may be unfair to blame Bush for his lack of clarity. He doesn't seem to have enough command of the English language to explain them (or perhaps he doesn't understand them himself). But, it is far more likely that keeping his positions fuzzy was just smart politics.

We can hardly expect him to make clear that his plan to privatize part of Social Security can only be paid for by drastically cutting future benefits or raising the retirement age to 70. Otherwise, his plan would bankrupt the Social Security Trust Fund 14 years earlier than its current date (i.e. by 2023). On the other hand, the Gore plan leaves the retirement age and the benefits the same and extends the life of the Trust Fund to 2057.

Bush's prescription drug plan for seniors is even worse. Few folks even know what it is because he never talks about it, except to say he has a plan to provide prescription drug coverage for senior citizens. No one can blame him for glossing over how his plan would work. First of all, our elderly are expected to individually negotiate for prescription coverage with the HMOs. That ought to be lots of fun since HMOs all over the country are rapidly dropping our senior citizens, even though they are insured by Medicare.

Bush's idea is to give government subsidies in the form of major tax breaks to the health insurance industry to entice them into offering a prescription drug benefit to the eld-

erly. Not the health insurers even want the tax break in this case. No risk-benefit analysis shows that providing prescription drugs to senior citizens is profitable. So they don't want any part of it, even with the corporate welfare Bush has put on the table.

Then there's the critical issue of reproductive choice. Bush assures those who cherish this constitutional right of privacy that he is not trying to deny them that right. Really? That's not what his supporters think. Many a person assured me when I worked the polls last Tuesday that they were

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there to insure that abortion again became illegal by electing Dubya to the Presidency.

And, those supporters are warranted in that conviction. After all, Bush has stated on numerous occasions that he will appoint Supreme Court justices just like Anthony Scalia. In opinion after opinion Justice Scalia has made it clear that it is his lifelong mission to overturn *Roe vs. Wade*. In fact, it is Bush's assurance that his appointments will be Scalia clones that has won him the undying support of religious extremists across our land.

But we mustn't overlook the centerpiece of Bush's agenda, his 1.3 trillion-dollar across-the-board tax

cut, which he finally admitted will put 40 percent of our budget surplus into the pockets of the wealthiest one percent of Americans. I say finally because for over six months Bush accused Al Gore of lying about his tax plan, going so far in the first debate to accuse Gore of using fuzzy numbers.

Does trying to pull the wool over the eyes of the American people (as Bush does on issue after issue) somehow make Bush into a bastion of integrity and honesty that he constantly claims to be on the stump? It is positively immoral for Bush to propose giving the bulk of our nation's hard-earned budget surplus to the wealthy elite rather than to the middle and working classes that actually produced it. Even worse, Bush's tax scheme blows a hole in our budget and destroys the fiscal discipline we spent eight long years putting in place.

The Bush tax plan proves beyond a doubt that he is certainly his father's son. His grasp of the macro economy that fuels our nation's prosperity appears to be no better than the last Bush Administration that put this nation into the worst recession since the Great Depression.

As for educational reform, Bush is long on talk and short on answers, just like he is on all his other policy positions. We only know for certain that he wants the funding for character education in our public schools to quadruple and that he has a plan to hold inner city schools accountable. He wants to take the federal Title One funds away for schools who teach our impoverished children so that their parents can receive a \$1,500 voucher to send their child to a religious school or private academy. Never mind that over 70 percent of Americans don't want their taxpayer dollars to go to religious schools under any circumstance.

So, as we await the final decision of who is going to be the 43rd President of the United States, it's time for some straight talk. The Bushies can call Gore a liar until the cows come home without changing the real facts and inconvertible truth. On every critical matter of public policy, Gore was the only major candidate who leveled with the American people and whose policies are not a prescription for future disaster.

## Candidate going all out to change vote

Once again as this column is being written the nation still does not know who their next president will be. Perhaps after Al Gore's 100 lawyers and



### The Real World

By B.J. Sessions, senior columnist

Jesse Jackson has exhausted all of their attempts to influence the election, sanity will once again prevail in Florida.

Jackson talked as if he was in Selma, Ala. in the 60s. He used the same tired words such as "disenfranchised," "racial discrimination" and "civil rights violations" when he has yet to prove anything of the kind.

I expected him to start singing, "We shall overcome" at any moment. He will go anywhere to take up a collection and to justify his existence. He claims that the ballot used at Palm Beach is "illegal," yet it has been used many times before in his own district and that of Willie Daley, Al Gore's henchman in Chicago, where "funny elections" are the rule rather than the exception.

It is interesting that 96 percent of those voting with the ballot in question knew what they were doing and only voted once for their candidate, while the 4 percent got "confused" voted twice or punched the wrong button.

Apparently they didn't read the instructions that were sent to them with the sample ballot which was designed and approved by the Democrats. Political analyst Mary Matalin made an interesting observation when she said, "Maybe if the ballot had been a bingo card they would have understood it better."

The television news stations, mostly liberal, must take some responsibility for the problem in Florida. In their haste to proclaim Gore the winner they announced it before the polls had closed in some areas of Florida giving a distinct advantage to Gore because the Bush people stopped their efforts upon hearing that Gore had won.

This business of demanding a last ditch effort by Gore to change the political system in this country so that a losing candidate can call for recount after recount until they read the desired number that they seek even if honest mistakes or mischief is involved.

If this country continues to drift in the direction it is now going it will be impossible to elect a president that will be acceptable to all of the people.

In all of my wildest dreams I never believed that America would be the joke it has become to other countries. But it has and we have been a joke for the last eight years and will continue to be if Al Gore steals the presidency. Welcome to the real world.

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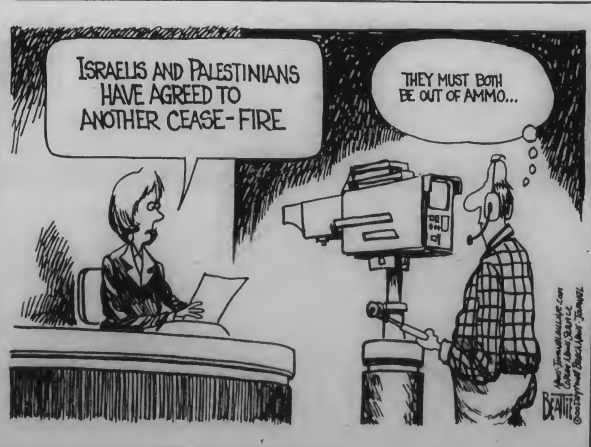
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## Ways to save money

Recently, I saw a pamphlet on "66 Ways to Save Money" issued by the Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University. Since all of us would like to do that, I'm passing some of those suggestions to you.



### The Mayor's Report

Mayor Meyera Oberdorf

will be on "Ways to Save at the Grocery Store." This article will speak on some of the lesser known ways on how to save your money.

■ Don't decide to lease a car just because the payments are lower than on a traditional auto loan. The leasing payments may be lower because you don't own the car at the end of the lease.

Leasing a car is very complicated. When shopping, consider the price of the car (known as the down payment, monthly payments), various fees (excess mileage, excess wear and tear, end-of-lease), and the cost of buying the car at the end of the lease.

**Keys to Vehicle Leasing:** A Consumer Guide, published by the Federal Reserve Board and Federal Trade Commission, is a valuable source of information about auto leasing.

■ You can save up to \$100 a year on gas by keeping your engine tuned and your tires inflated to their proper pressure.

■ Consumers lose billions of dollars each year on unneeded or poorly done car repairs. The most important step that you can take to save money on these repairs is to find a skilled, honest mechanic.

Before you need repairs, look for a mechanic who is certified and well established; has done good work for someone you know; and, communicates well about repair options and costs.

■ When you consider buying car insurance, call your state insurance department for a publication showing typical prices charged by different companies. Then call at least four of the lowest-priced, licensed insurers to learn what they would charge you for the same coverage.

You may also want to consider raising your deductibles on collision and comprehensive coverages. Make certain that your new policy is in effect before dropping your old one.

■ On homeworn/renter insurance, call your state insurance department for a publication showing typical prices, charged by different licensed companies. Again, call at least four of the lowest-priced insurers to learn what they would charge you. Make sure you purchase enough coverage to replace the house and its contents at today's prices.

■ On life insurance, if you want protection only, and not a savings and investment product, buy a term life insurance policy. If you buy a whole life, universal life or other cash value policy, plan to hold it for at least 15 years. Canceling these policies after only a few years can more than double your life insurance costs.

■ Banking institutions often will drop or lower checking fees if pay-

checks are directly deposited by your employer. Direct deposit offers the additional advantage of convenience, security and immediate access to your money.

■ Before opening a savings or investment account with a bank or other financial institution, find out whether the account is insured by the federal government (FDIC or NCUA). An increasing number of products, offered by these institutions, including mutual stock funds and annuities, are not insured.

■ If you are unable to pay off a large balance on a credit card, pay as much as you can and switch to a credit with a lower annual percentage rate.

For a moderate fee, RAM Research Corp. (1-800-344-7714) will send you a list of low-rate cards.

You can obtain a list of low-rate cards by accessing "www.ramresearch.com.cardtrack" on the Internet. You can reduce credit card fees, which may add up to more than \$100 a year, by getting rid of all but one or two cards, and by avoiding late payment and over-the-credit limit fees.

■ Although your monthly payment may be higher, you can save tens of thousands of dollars in interest charges by shopping for the shortest-term mortgage you can afford. You will pay less in interest on a 15-year mortgage than on a 30-year mortgage.

Also check into paying your mortgage payments on a biweekly basis. Be aware that the interest rate on

**If you buy a whole life, universal life, or other cash value policy, plan to hold it for at least 15 years. Canceling these policies after only a few years can more than double your life insurance costs.**

most adjustable rate mortgage loans (ARM's) can vary a great deal over the lifetime of the mortgage. An increase of several percentage points might raise payments by hundreds of dollars per month.

■ Consider refinancing your mortgage if you can get a rate that is at least one percentage point lower than your existing mortgage rate and plan to keep the new mortgage for several years or more. Ask an accountant to calculate precisely how much your new mortgage (including upfront fees) will cost and whether, in the long run, it will cost less than your current mortgage.

■ Be cautious in taking out home equity loans. These loans reduce the equity that you have built up in your home. If you are unable to make payments, you could lose your home.

Compare house equity loans offered by at least four banking institutions. In comparing these loans, consider not only the annual percentage rate (APR), but also points, closing costs, other fees, and in the index for any variable rate changes.

This is in no way all the ways to save money listed in the pamphlet I mentioned at the beginning of this article, but I have run out of space for now.

Next week, I will be talking about how to save money on food purchases.

## Choirs join up with symphony

The choirs from Cox and Kellam high schools will join the Virginia Beach Symphony Orchestra as it rings in the Yuletide and the orchestra's 20th anniversary season with songs of Christmas evaluation.

Under the direction of David S. Kunkel, the Virginia Beach Symphony and The Virginia Beach Public School chorus will perform Rimsky-Korsakoff's "Christmas Eve Suite," Hely-Hutchinson's "A Carol Symphony," and various Christmas carols.

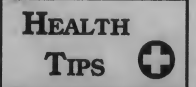
The concert, which is the orchestra's first of the 2000-01 season, will be held at the Pavilion Theatre in Virginia Beach on Sunday, Dec. 3, at 3 p.m. The concert will also be performed at the College of the Albemarle in Elizabeth City, N.C., on Saturday, Dec. 2 at 7:30 p.m.

In addition, Mayor Meyera Oberdorf will make a special appearance and proclamation on behalf of the orchestra's commitment to bringing quality music to the Hampton Roads area over the past 20 years.

The Virginia Beach Public School chorus is comprised of

students from Cox and Kellam high schools. Wendy Van Gent, choral director of Cox High School, and Lisa Ellerbee, Kellam High School's choral director, have combined efforts to create this talented 100-plus member chorus.

Concert tickets, which may be obtained from the box office or by calling 671-8611, are \$12 for adults and \$9 for students and senior citizens. For further information, call 671-8611 or online at [www.vbso.org](http://www.vbso.org).



■ The Diabetes Center at Sentara Virginia Beach General Hospital will hold a support group meeting on Tuesday, Nov. 21 from 3 to 4 p.m. in the Board Room located on the hospital's West Wing. This free service for people with diabetes and their families offers both educational and emotional support. For more information call, 395-8836.

## Up close and personal

### Mary Ann Flora: A shining star

By Jason Norman  
Correspondent

Mary Ann Flora loves people.

"That's the best part of this work!" she exclaims. "There are so many great people all over the country that I love to meet. With this, you start relationships that last forever!"

She's referring to her new position as Grand Ruth of the Order of the Eastern Star. A masonic organization for ladies, the organization specializes in charity work all over the United States.

"Our project for this year was helping needy children," says the Norfolk resident proudly. "We collected books and teddy bears for needy children. Last week alone, we collected 73,000 teddy bears."

As the Grand Ruth, Flora represents the organization's Grand Chapter of Virginia. "Ten people in each state's organization are chosen for the year," she explains, "and we represent that chapter all the whole year long."

Thus far, Flora's duties have been mainly in the travel area. "I've been on about 45 official visits," she proclaims. "I've been all over the state of Virginia, and I just got back from Detroit. That was a blast because it had so many great museums. My family and I are very interested in history."

"I also went to the mountains in Virginia, and I was surprised at how different the people were in the southwest," Flora says. "The people over there are much more relaxed, they don't have the hustle and bustle of traffic that we have in Virginia Beach."

Flora has been involved with the Order for more than 30 years. "I got involved with the Eastern Star because my husband was the masonic for the Princess Anne courthouse," she remembers.

"That's about the only requirement to be in the Order. We do have our secret signs and passwords, but the only requirement is to be in a masonic relationship."

The entire Flora family has been involved with the masonic organization for quite some time now. Flora's husband, Wayne, is the secretary of the masonic lodge of the Royal Heart. Her daughter, Ginger, is a former Honor Queen of the Job's Daughters organization, sort of, as Flora puts it, "an Order for the little girls."

Her family is the biggest part of Flora's life. "I love my family, and we do a lot of things together. We just love to be a family. We're very close."

In her "free time," Flora is a member of the Beach Grove United Methodist Church. In her 37 years as a member, she has taught Sunday school, and now serves as the Secretary-Treasurer of the church's Administrative Board.

Flora is also a 25-year veteran of North Landing Elementary School in Virginia Beach. "I'm not sure what my exact position here is," she jokes, reaching for a catalog on the office desk.

"Oh, here it is," she points out. "I am a 'school office associate.'"

"I do anything and everything at this school," she asserts. "I do the bookkeeping, answer telephones, wait on parents, everything."

"When my son was in kindergarten, he got hurt one day on the playground. Ever since then, I've been involved with the schools." Her son, incidentally, is now 35.

Name: Mary Ann Flora.

What brought you to this area: Born in Norfolk, raised in Virginia Beach.

Hometown: Norfolk.

Age: 58.

Nickname: Mary Ann, have been called



both names my entire life.

Occupation: School Administrative Assistant, North Landing Elementary School, 25 years.

Marital Status: Married 38 years on Dec. 1 to Wayne S. Flora.

Children: Cecil Wayne Hancock Flora, 35, who works for Automatic Controls and Ginger Louise Flora Robinson, 29, a first grade teacher at New Castle Elementary.

Favorite movies: "Driving Miss Daisy."

Magazines I read regularly: Country Women, Southern Living.

Favorite authors: John Jakes.

Favorite night out on the town: Going out to dinner with my family.

Favorite restaurant: Cracker Barrel.

Favorite meal and beverage: Seafood and water.

What most people don't know about me: I am a member of the Order of the Eastern Star.

Best thing about myself: Concern for others.

Worst habit: Think faster than my brain.

Pets: Kitty cat named "Ernie" after the race

car driver Ernie Ivan.

Hobbies: Love traveling with the Eastern Star, reading and doing crafts.

Ideal vacation: Going to our farm in Meherrin, where there is no traffic and is very peaceful and quiet.

Pet peeves: People who don't do their jobs.

First job: Selling donuts at donut shop at Janaf Shopping Center, Norfolk.

Least liked job: None.

Favorite sports teams: NASCAR racing, Winston Cup.

Favorite musicians: Roy Clark and Reba McEntire.

Most embarrassing moment: Ran out of gas going to work five minutes from home. I haven't run out of gas since.

How I would like to be remembered: As a good listener.

If I received \$1 million: Give to our church, give to Hope Haven Children's Home and give to Alzheimer's Research.

If I had 10 minutes on national television: I would promote education and the job that teachers do.

## VPI equipment provides unique opportunity

Students at Hickory High School will learn scientific principles and techniques as they study the proteins of fish, thanks to equipment being loaned by Virginia Tech's Fralin Biotechnology Center.

Students in Ryan Wick's class will spend the two weeks beginning Nov. 20 using a protein electrophoresis kit to look at the proteins of different fish.

According to Kristi DeCoursey, laboratory manager for the Fralin Center, the students will learn to identify the evolutionary differences among various fish muscles tested. "Teachers will choose the raw fish they want to sample and obtain it at a local store," DeCoursey said.

"They'll use electrophoresis to look at the proteins in the different samples. There are a number of predominant muscle proteins the students will see. The proportion of those proteins will be distinctive for the different fish."

Students will use a mortar and pestle to grind up small samples of fish muscles. The samples will then be incubated in a solution to dissolve them. After being separated with a centrifuge, small drops of the samples will be placed on gels to which an electrical current will

be applied.

The electrical charge separates proteins along the gel based on their sizes. After other preparations, students then determine the molecular weight of proteins and their abundance in the samples.

"If one of the samples is from scallop and other samples are from a fish like a tuna or a flounder, the students should see distinct differences in the gels," DeCoursey said. "That's because scallops and tuna

or flounder are widely separated in evolution."

More importantly, DeCoursey said, the students will learn to use common scientific equipment and they will learn to use techniques that scientists use routinely.

"These are things these students will see more of as they progress in their education," she said.

"This series of procedures will show them not only how to use

this equipment and these techniques, but it will also show them why they are useful to scientists. Because they're using something common like fish, students really find this experience fun."

The trunks of equipment provides teachers with access to as much as \$4,000 worth of equipment and expendable supplies. That cost is enough to prevent most schools from exposing students to sophisticated biotechnology techniques.

## Beach-based educator appointed to post

Virginia Beach resident Gary Schifan, an associate professor of civil and environmental engineering at Old Dominion University, was recently appointed to the Commonwealth of Virginia Department of Environmental Quality Science Advisory Committee.

The newly-formed committee, composed of members from Virginia's major universities, will review the science behind state regulations as a way to help maintain and enhance the commonwealth's natural resources.

The Science Advisory Committee's first task, according to DEQ

director Dennis Treacy, will be to review the most recent proposals concerning the standards of water quality.

A member of the Old Dominion

faculty since 1987, Schifan conducts research in the areas of environmental engineering, water quality, aquatic chemistry and physicochemical treatment processes.

## Gymnast receives scholarship

Ocean Tumblers Gymnastics has announced that Kelley Kello has received a full gymnastics scholarship to the University of Iowa.

Head Hawkeye gymnastics coach, Mike Lorenzen, has followed Kello's career for sometime. This 17-year-old is a senior at Ocean Lakes High School in Virginia Beach.

Kello has competed as a Level 10 gymnast at the national level for several years.

The official signing party took place Thursday, Nov. 9.

Ocean Tumblers has locations in Virginia Beach and Chesapeake. The phone numbers are 468-1982 and 547-0169.

# Dealership denied request

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council members had been considering a deferral to come up with a use for the property that would fit in better with the neighborhood.

Voting against denial were Margaret Eure and W.W. Harrison Jr. Vice Mayor William D. Sessions Jr. was absent.

The property in question at 263 and 267 N. Lynnhaven Road contains 40,075 square feet.

The Pinewood Gardens and Eureka Park Civic League was opposed to the rezoning and use permit because they might set a precedent for more commercialization of the neighborhood.

Councilwoman Barbara Henley pointed out that it was unlikely that anyone would build a residence on the property which adjoins the dealership and suggested there might be another transitional use.

Planning Director Robert Scott said this was a classic zoning case and the 1997 comprehensive plan has as a goal — the protection of neighborhoods. He said that once rezoning starts it is difficult to control. He said there needs to be a method used that does not encourage lot by lot rezoning. He said he thought there could be some orderly transition. He also said that a 56-car parking lot for employees which was to go into the space, was a lot of employee parking. He said there should be a way of being fair to the property owner without going this way.

Harrison was all for that and was on the verge of supporting a deferral to give all parties time to get together with the Planning Department when Holloway said he wasn't interested.

Councilman Louis R. Jones said that the proposed use was too intensive for the site. "Maybe someone else will want to use the property for an office," he said.

Councilwoman Reba McClanahan, councilwoman for the Rose Hall District where the property is located, said that she had been prepared to make a motion for denial but, that she would go along with a deferral. The present proposal, she said, was too much for the neighborhood.



**SPECIAL GUEST.** Twelve-year-old violinist Brendan Conway from McLean will be a featured guest when the Bay Youth Symphony kicks off its concert season Nov. 21.

## Youth concert season set

The Bay Youth Orchestras of Virginia will open their concert season on Tuesday Nov. 21, at 7:30 p.m. at the Virginia Beach Pavilion with a program titled, "Ole."

The special guest will be 12-year-old violinist Brendan Conway, the featured soloist with the Symphony Orchestra, performing Sarasate's "Zigeunerweisen."

He is the winner of the 1999 Virginia String Teachers' Association Soloists Competition and has performed widely, including at Avery

Fisher Hall in New York City with Itzhak Perlman at the Mostly Mozart Festival.

The symphony will also perform Rimsky-Korsakov's "Capriccio Espagnol" and Ravel's "Bolero." The Concert Orchestra will begin the program with Bizet's "Carmen Suite No. 1," "Malaguena" by Ernest Lecyona and Richard Meyer's "Balles para Orquesta."

Tickets are \$5 for adults, \$3 for children, 18 and under. Call 479-1800 for information.

## Annual Christmas in the Country set for Dec. 5

The Cape Henry Woman's Club of Virginia Beach will present its 38th annual Christmas in the Country at the home of Mr. and Mrs. James N. Fletcher, 1209 Lawrence Grey Drive in Virginia Beach on Tuesday, Dec. 5 from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Cider and cookies will be served during the house tour.

There will also be a country store featuring homemade baked items and Brunswick stew, as well as handmade crafts. Tickets are \$3 and all proceeds fund educational scholarships.

The home is located off North Witchduck Road and will be decorated in a holiday theme by members of Cape Henry Woman's Club.

The white brick home is of a

provincial style and was built in 1973. The Fletchers have occupied the home since 1997.

The living room looks out onto the pool area situated between two wings built at an angle to accommodate the pool. Antique furniture includes French provincial chairs dating from 1830 and a Louis XV desk which holds a collection of antique clocks.

There is a small collection of antique pocket watch holders displayed as well as many framed antique prints and oils and antique prints of Pomeranian dogs. The owners' Blue Geisha Spode china is on display.

For more information and directions to the home call Nancy Armacost, 486-0804.

## Origins of Thanksgiving Day

Whether one subscribes to the myth that our contemporary Thanksgiving observance had its inception at Plymouth



**Out in Left Field**

By Bob Ruegger, columnist

lowers, even the most hard-headed Yankee or the most strong-willed Virginian must concede that the present Thanksgiving holiday was molded by four traditions — the Harvest Home festival, civil proclamations of thanksgiving, religious days of prayer and fasting, and the celebration of Christmas.

In Thanksgiving: an American Holiday, an American History, Diana Kartter Appelbaum describes these elements that inspired what many characterize as the quintessential American holiday.

At the root of our modern-day tradition was the Harvest Home festival holiday which was celebrated in England. On this day, local farmers worked together to transport the final loads of grain from the fields to the village. When this labor was accomplished, a joyous feast commenced.

Of course, harvest festivals were not peculiar to England; such festivals had routinely taken place all over Europe. Harvest festivals have been a part of the rhythm of life as long as man has raised and tended crops. The English colonists simply transplanted their Old World Harvest Home holiday into their New World environment.

In addition to the Harvest Home festival, civil proclamations of thanksgiving were an important component in the development of our current Thanksgiving Day observance.

In Europe as well as in the colonies in America, civil authorities designated special days as days of thanksgiving and prayer when some set of circumstances resulted in phenomenal good luck — such as the end of a plague or success in war.

These civil pronouncements set aside a specific day for thanksgiving and prayer which included church services that were considered appropriate to the occasion.

Another tradition that helped to frame our contemporary Thanksgiving holiday was the practice of religious congregations declaring days of thanksgiving, prayer and fasting for particular reasons. A poor harvest, severe drought or similar calamity was often enough to provoke such a religious observance.

Gov. Winthrop of Massachusetts Bay proclaimed Feb. 22, 1631 to be such a day of fasting and prayer. The irony was that there was little food in the colony anyway. Fasting, as opposed to feasting, was the more viable option.

During that winter, starving colonists rifled squirrels' nests for acorns and dug in the black mud at low tide for clams and mussels. The desperate settlers were waiting for the long overdue ship Lyon to return with

food from England.

Coincidentally, on the morning of the day that was scheduled for the fast, the Lyon arrived in Boston with a cargo of supplies for the starving colonists.

The providential arrival of the supply ship prompted the governor to convert the designated day of fast to a day of prayer and thanksgiving. In those days, a governor had to be flexible enough to use common sense. With a shipment of food readily available, eating rather than fasting became the more politically correct choice. Winthrop knew where his bread was buttered.

Finally, the practice of recognizing Christmas Day as the day of Christ's birth as well as an occasion for making merry had long been an English tradition. Although the New

we know it — would have been impossible.

Tisquantum, an English-speaking Indian of the Wampanoag tribe, assisted the Plymouth colonists by teaching them how to plant corn and squash, how to hunt, and where to fish. In addition, he served as an interpreter and brokered a peace treaty with Massasoit, the Wampanoag sachem, that lasted for 50 years.

When Massasoit arrived at the Plymouth harvest feast with 90 warriors, he didn't come empty-handed. Venison was added to the spread of corn, pumpkin, squash, and fowl.

In the Virginia colony, Jamestown (not 30 miles from the Berkeley Hundred site of the First Thanksgiving) would have ceased to exist without the consent of Wahumsoncock who ruled the Powhatan Confederacy of 30 tribes and 9,000 people, and the help of his favorite daughter Matoaka who brought food to the starving Jamestown settlers.

Matoaka, more widely known as Pocahontas, married Englishman John Rolfe to help assure tranquil Native American-English relations, and this so-called Peace of Pocahontas prevailed until after her father's death.

Certainly, the Harvest Home, civil and religious proclamations along with the celebration of Christmas were European traditions that undeniably helped to shape our Thanksgiving Day holiday. But those influences are only a part of an incomplete and inequally painted picture.

Both in New England and Virginia, Native Americans brought something to Thanksgiving tradition that no European could. New World foods — corn, squash, pumpkin, and venison.

There could have been no Thanksgiving feast at Berkeley or Plymouth without native foods, and there would have been little food on which to feast had Native Americans not been willing to "talk turkey" with the English.

When the Thanksgiving turkey is carved and the pumpkin pie is sliced, Americans of today might do well to reflect upon the spirit of generosity and the temper of tolerance exemplified by America's original citizens.

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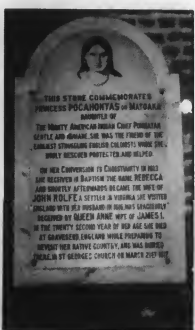
England Puritans remembered Christmas, they didn't celebrate it. On the other hand, the Anglicans in Virginia and Catholics in Maryland had no problem with celebrating Christmas Day.

As Thanksgiving became a widely accepted festival, small segments of the traditional English Christmas again became a part of the holiday — even in New England. Mince pie and plum pudding became essential components of the Thanksgiving bill of fare along with turkey and pumpkin pie.

Today's Thanksgiving Day is an amalgam blended from these Old World conventions. The traditional observation of Thanksgiving did not emerge fully developed at a specific time and place; it evolved gradually from previously established customs.

Of course, the European customs that shaped Thanksgiving Day are only part of the equation. Native Americans contributed to the mix as well.

Without the willingness of the indigenous population to live in peace with the English intruders and to share their knowledge of New World crops and game, Thanksgiving Day — as



## Commission makes appointment

The Hampton Roads Sports Commission has appointed Kelly Larkin as event administrator.

Her responsibilities will include the development and coordination of events, fund-raising and volunteer committees. Larkin joins the commission from the Norfolk Convention and Visitors

Bureau where she held the position of advertising manager.

She holds a degree in Business Administration from Old Dominion University.

The Hampton Roads Sports Commission, under the direction of Jack Anderson, is a partnership between the cities of Hampton, Newport News, Chesapeake, Norfolk, Portsmouth, Suffolk and Virginia Beach; and the Hampton Roads Chamber of Commerce.

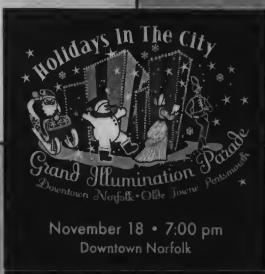
The organization's goal is to attract major amateur athletic events to the region.

The Commission's first initiative is to produce the 2001 Amateur Athletic Union Junior Olympic Games that will be held in Hampton Roads July 25 through Aug. 4.

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# Turkeys are family tradition

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Native Americans first domesticated the wild turkey. Popular modern varieties of turkeys include Holland White, Bronze Domestic, Bourbon Red, Beltsville Small White, and Royal Palm.

Years ago, Flanagan's father and uncle raised Bronze Domestic turkeys which bear a close resemblance to the wild turkey.

"My uncle raised them for 50 years on the same lot across the road. It's a pretty bird, but it doesn't dress out as pretty because the pin feathers are dark," he said.

While the Flanagans have raised a number of varieties over the years, the Nicholas Broad-Breasted White currently seems best suited for their local market. Flanagan and his family kill and dress their turkeys for their customers.

"These are the best for our use, our dressing, and our sales, so the hatchery man tells me. They sell a lot of them to individuals like us that dress them for Christmas time and Thanksgiving," he explained. "But the commercial plants, I think, use a different breed."

Characteristically, the Nicholas variety birds produce the most meat per pound of feed. By the time Flanagan's birds are ready for market, the hens average about 20 to 25 pounds — dressed out. At \$1.85 per pound, the average bird Flanagan produces sells for about \$37 to \$47.

All the turkeys in Flanagan's pen were hens — except for one. The lone tom was a mistake.

"They sex them down there at the hatchery, and somebody didn't catch that one," Flanagan said. "It was a mistake. I don't really want that one over there. They scar the hens up."

The poulters are generally de-beaked, given a shot, and detoxed at the hatchery before Flanagan picks them up. He didn't have his poulters detoxed this year because the birds can be injured when the toes are clipped too closely. With their toes clipped, the turkeys also appear to have difficulty roosting.

"We do de-beak them because they will pick and draw blood. When they get blood, they go crazy," said Flanagan. "They kill that turkey — usually."

He feeds the turkeys a combination of commercially prepared feed and whole corn.

"I love turkey," said Flanagan. "We cut turkey in half most of the time so we won't waste so much," he said. "A lot of people don't want it cut in half. They want the whole turkey sitting up there

— for looks."

Flanagan's customers believe that there's nothing like a fresh turkey — frozen birds just aren't the same. Flanagan agrees.

"It's a mister meat, and it's got just a better taste, I think," he contends. "It's a different flavor. I don't know that it's that much, but it must be pretty good because people pay \$1.85 a pound for it."

Commercially produced frozen turkeys currently sell for 47 to 69 cents a pound at local supermarkets.

Flanagan was far too modest to openly boast about the quality of his home-grown fowl; however, he was not above making a few personal observations — just the facts.

"It's a good turkey, and it's raised on whole corn. That makes them dress out prettier and taste better," he said. "It's just a good old-fashioned turkey."

Cooking one of Flanagan's farm fresh turkeys is a little different than cooking a frozen bird. "We advise people not to baste them when they're cooking these turkeys. The fat bastes them — they baste themselves."

Flanagan remembers his mother making what she called "running gear" soup, which included turkey heads and feet. "It was tasty," he recalled. "A lot of people eat the meat off the feet. We've got some out there with big feet, but it doesn't seem to me that there would be much meat on the feet." Flanagan usually gives the turkey feet away.

Raising and selling turkeys has been a Flanagan family tradition for generations. "A lot of the older people are not messing with it (dressing turkeys) and can't do it. We understand that. We've got to get some younger people."

With the addition of Flanagan's grandson Colby to the family in July, the tradition may just continue. "Colby looks at the turkeys. I don't know how much he likes them. He may want to raise them himself. It's going to be a while before he does it, but he'll be around. I'm sure," speculated Flanagan.

"It's a family thing," he added.

## Talkin' turkey

My feathered friends are brave enough

To make the sacrifice;  
To each his own I always say;  
For them, it's very nice.  
But this old Tom ain't born for it.  
Fair neck's not stickin' out.  
So pig out, folks, at gala feast.  
While this bird chicks out!  
— Pete Bovenzi



R. David Flanagan

## LEGAL NOTICES

IN THE THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT OF SALT LAKE COUNTY  
STATE OF UTAH  
JEANETTE JORDAN BARNES, Petitioner,

ERIC RYAN BARNES, Respondent,  
30-DAY SUMMONS  
Civil No. 004906014  
Judge William B. Bohling  
THE STATE OF UTAH TO:

ERIC RYAN BARNES  
You are hereby summoned and required to file an Answer in the captioned proceedings. You must file your Answer with the Clerk of the Third District Court, located at 450 South State Street, Salt Lake City, Utah 84111, and to serve upon or mail to Jody L. Howe of Howe Law Firm, P.C., 111 East Broadway, Suite 340, Salt Lake City, UT 84111, attorneys for Petitioner, a copy of said Answer within THIRTY days after service of this Summons upon you. If you fail to do so, judgment by default will be taken against you for the relief demanded in said Complaint for Divorce, which has been filed with the Clerk of said Court.

DATED this 25th day of October 2000.  
Jody L. Howe  
HOWE LAW FIRM  
Attorneys for Petitioner

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from Timothy D. White and Doretha M. White dated June 12, 1996 and recorded in the Clerk's Office, Circuit Court, City of Virginia Beach, Virginia, in Deed Book 3627, page 1137, securing a loan which was originally \$135,950.00. Default having occurred in the payment of the Note thereby secured, and at the request of the holder of said Note, the undersigned Substitute Trustees will offer for sale at public auction at the front steps of the Municipal Building #1, near the corner of Princess Anne & North Landing, Virginia Beach, Virginia on December 1, 2000 at 8:02 A.M., the property described in said Deed of Trust, located at the above address and briefly described as:

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The property will be conveyed by Special Warranty Deed, subject to all existing easements, restrictions and any other conditions that may affect title to the property. The Noleholder reserves the right to bid at the sale.

TERMS: CASH: A bidder's deposit of \$13,100.00, cash or certified check, will be required at the time of sale with the settlement and full payment of the purchase price within (15) fifteen days from the date of the sale. Additional terms will be required to execute and deliver to the Substitute Trustee a memorandum or contract of the sale at the conclusion of bidding.

This notice is an attempt to collect on a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose. Loan Type: FHA  
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FOR INFORMATION CONTACT:

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Substitute Trustees  
751 Miller Drive, Suite G1  
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## Public Notice

Virginia:  
The regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Virginia Beach will be held in the Council Chambers of the City Hall Building, Municipal Center, Princess Anne Station, Virginia Beach, Virginia, on Tuesday, December 5, 2000 at 2:00 p.m., at which time the following applications will be heard:

CHANGE OF ZONING DISTRICT CLASSIFICATION: DISTRICT 6 - BEACH

1. An Ordinance upon Application of Vehicle Recycling Solutions LLC for a change of Zoning District Classification from I-1 Light Industrial District to Conditional I-2 Heavy Industrial District at the northeast intersection of Skyes Avenue and Southern Boulevard (GPIN #2417-14-9602; #2417-24-3655). The proposed zoning classification change to Conditional I-2 is for industrial land use. The Comprehensive Plan recommends use of this parcel for appropriately located industrial and employment support uses in accordance with other Plan policies. Said parcel is located at 100 Skyes Avenue and contains 23.52 acres. DISTRICT 6 - BEACH.

CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT: 2. An Ordinance upon Application of Vehicle Recycling Solutions LLC for a Conditional Use Permit for the storage or processing of salvage, scrap, or junk (autos) at the northeast intersection of Skyes Avenue and Southern Boulevard (GPIN #2417-14-9602; #2417-24-3655). Said parcel is located at 100 Skyes Avenue and contains 23.52 acres. DISTRICT 6

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4. An Ordinance upon Application of Marky and Thomas Strother for a Conditional Use Permit for a riding academy, horses for hire or boarding on the north side of Shirley Landing Drive, 650 feet more or less east of Blackwater Road (GPIN #1398-32-6447). Said parcel contains 20.321 acres. DISTRICT 7 - PRINCESS ANNE.

5. An Ordinance upon Application of Wal-Mart Real Estate Business Trust for a Conditional Use Permit for an automobile service establishment on certain property located on the east side of Newstead Drive beginning at a point 500 feet more or less north of Princess Anne Road (GPIN #2414-25-6765). Said parcel contains 18.508 acres. DISTRICT 7 - PRINCESS ANNE.

DISTRICT 1 - CENTERVILLE

6. An Ordinance upon Application of Truckcenter of Tidewater, Inc., for a Conditional Use Permit for a bulk storage yard on the east side of South Military Highway, north of Alexandria Avenue (GPIN #1456-27-9020). Said parcel is located at 728 S. Military Highway and contains 20,037.6 square feet. DISTRICT 1 - CENTERVILLE.

## DISTRICT 3 - ROSE HALL

7. An Ordinance upon Application of The Runnymede Corporation for a Change of Zoning District Classification on the following parcels:

Parcel 1: From B-2 Community Business District to Conditional B-2 Community Business District on the south side of Sentara Way beginning at a point 330 feet more or less west of S. Rosemont Road.

Parcel 2: From R-7.5 Residential District to Conditional B-2 Community Business District on the south side of South Boulevard beginning at a point 530 feet more or less west of S. Rosemont Road.

The proposed zoning classification change to Conditional B-2 is for commercial land use. The Comprehensive Plan recommends use of these parcels for suburban residential/low density for the R-7.5 site and commercial uses for the B-2 site in accordance with other Plan policies. Said parcel contains 5.5 acres. DISTRICT 3 - ROSE HALL.

All interested parties are invited to attend.

Ruth Hodges Smith, MMC  
City Clerk

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## Public Notice

Virginia:  
The regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Virginia Beach will be held in the Council Chambers of the City Hall Building, Municipal Center, Princess Anne Station, Virginia Beach, Virginia, on Tuesday, November 28, 2000 at 6:00 p.m., at which time the following applications will be heard:

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7. An Ordinance upon Application of Grisworld, Inc. for a Conditional Use Permit for a miniature golf course, bicycle rentals, amusements, and a concessionaire snack bar at the southeast corner of Pacific Avenue and 22nd Street (GPIN #2427-18-3704; #2427-18-2753; #2427-18-2702). Said parcel is located at 2109 Pacific Avenue and contains 21,780 square feet. DISTRICT 6 - BEACH.

CHANGE OF ZONING DISTRICT CLASSIFICATION: DISTRICT 7 - PRINCESS ANNE

4. An Ordinance upon Application of Oxford Properties, L.L.C., d/b/a Dan Neck Self Storage for a Change of Zoning District Classification from AG-2 Agricultural District to Conditional B-1A Limited Community Business District on the east side of General Booth Boulevard, north of Culver Lane (GPIN #2415-31-8553; #2415-31-6485). The proposed zoning classification change to Conditional B-1A is for lot intensity commercial land use. The Comprehensive Plan recommends use of this parcel for suburban residential/medium & high density at densities that are compatible with townhouse dual multi-family use in accordance with other Plan policies. Said parcel is located at 1874 General Booth Boulevard and contains 2.318 acres. DISTRICT 7 - PRINCESS ANNE.

6. An Ordinance upon Application of Bonney Bright for a Conditional Use Permit for a borrow pit expansion on property located on the east side of Princess Anne Road beginning at a point 2,172 feet south of the intersection with Pocahontas Club Road (GPIN #2317-62-1327; #2317-72-3259; #2317-61-2520). Said parcel contains 162 acres. DISTRICT 7 - PRINCESS ANNE.

7. An Ordinance upon Application of Outdoor Recreation of Virginia Beach, Condominium Assoc., Inc., for a Conditional Use Permit for a community pier on the west side of Sandpiper Road, south of Kabler Road (GPIN #2432-64-3158). Said property is located at 3665 Sandpiper Road and contains 62.573 acres. DISTRICT 7 - PRINCESS ANNE.

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## College launches program

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huge variety of student needs, such as voice, makeup, directing, lighting, sound, costume and set design, and of course, acting.

It's designed to coordinate with the theater programs at other local universities so that students interested in theater will be able to transfer easily, transition successfully and ultimately become essential participants to theatrical productions.

Again, the Chesapeake and Virginia Beach campus theaters recently underwent dramatic renovation. "We've reversed this place," said Jacob of his Chesapeake theater.

"We've taken out the entire ceiling, painted the entire interior black, built a new stage, added a technical control booth, increased our lighting capacity and installed a sound system."

All of these improvements will aid those who participate in the new theater program.

However, the program, Jacob is quick to point out, is not just geared toward the student as actors, but as people as well.

"Our students sometimes pursue professional theatrical careers," he explains, "but often they will enter other dynamic fields, many of which require collaborations, creative thinking, high-level communication, human understanding, cultural awareness and a disciplined and passionate approach to life."

"These are tools that are applicable to the professional and personal lives of all members of society, regardless of their career choice."

"Our goal," he continues, "is the development of the whole individual and participation in the production of high-quality theater can be a vehicle for these ends."

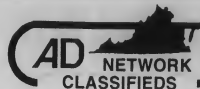
## Arrowhead youngsters gear up for feast

On Tuesday, Nov. 21, at 9:15 a.m. and again at 1 p.m., Arrowhead Elementary School's kindergarten classes will hold a Thanksgiving feast with their families.

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# Cultural Alliance honors patrons of the arts

The annual ALLI Awards of the Cultural Alliance of Greater Hampton Roads were presented recently at the Children's Museum of Virginia in Olde Towne Portsmouth.

The awards honored Hampton Roads businesses and members of the media as well as individuals, who have, in some direct way, made extraordinary contributions to the region's arts and culture.

Two business received awards. They include Target Stores and the 28 businesses, which collectively make up the Business Exhibition Council of the Chrysler Museum of Art.

The council represents "business leaders," who provide crucial financial support to the museum's special exhibitions, further helping the museum to bring art and people together.

Target Stores received the award for "efforts on behalf of arts organizations all over Hampton Roads, and for emphasis on arts in education."

Media award recipients honored were Adams Outdoor, for its generous donation of billboard space in support of many arts organizations; and Ida Kay Jordan, the Portsmouth Editor of *The Virginian Pilot*, in recognition of her long advocacy of enhancing the arts and culture of Portsmouth both personally and through her journalistic career.

Five ALLI Awards were presented to individuals in recognition of

significant volunteer commitments to arts and culture.

Bertram Aaron of Williamsburg, founder of the Greater Williamsburg Virginia Symphony Society, was honored because of his extraordinary and creative work in helping to expand the symphony's audiences and for fundraising on the symphony's behalf.

Also honored was Patricia Carpenter Blackwell, whose volunteerism in the arts extends since the 1960's to all of the area's major arts and culture organizations, including the symphony, WHRO and the Virginia Waterfront International Arts Festival as well as numerous organizations of the Peninsula.

Now retired, she also influenced arts as community relations officer of Ferguson Enterprises in Newport News.

Robert Brown of the Virginia Stage Company also received an ALLI Award. He was honored for his invaluable commitment to Hampton Roads theater, especially his work in stabilizing the Virginia Stage Company over a 22-year period.

Alan and Beverly Diamondstein also received awards. They were acknowledged for the work they have done to support numerous organizations.

Alan Diamondstein was recognized primarily for his impact on arts and culture through the budget process of the General Assembly.

Beverly Diamondstein was honored for her distinguished board service on the Peninsula and around Virginia.

Roberta Naranjo of Boykins was the final individual winner, for her work in keeping arts education a factor in the Franklin-Southampton region and her vision for the Rawls Museum Arts facility there.

The program concluded with the presentation of the Vianne B.

Webb lifetime achievement award, presented to Dr. Gladstone "Stonie" Hill of Portsmouth.

"As a lifelong art collector, Hill has been a vital contributor to the health of the arts in Hampton Roads." Hill has served on committees of the Chrysler Museum of Art including the group that started the museum's library.

He also helped to form the Cultural Alliance of Greater Hampton

Roads and was instrumental in saving the Children's Museum of Virginia by helping to relocate it to its current space.

As a faithful patron of music, he was credited with supporting numerous arts and music series in Norfolk and Portsmouth including the Virginia Symphony and the Portsmouth Community Concert Series. He also supports the Virginia Stage Company and the

Portsmouth Museums.

Raymond Jones was the emcee for the awards program. Lee Bandy, ALLI awards committee co-chair, thanked Jones, who is a former ALLI Award recipient, for his efforts noting that Jones is about to begin his 40th year in Hampton Roads classical music radio broadcast. He regularly provides reviews of recordings to the *Daily Press* and *PortFolio Magazine*.

## AAA concerned over rise in teen fatalities

AAA of Tidewater has announced a plan of action in response to the recent number of teen fatalities, which have occurred as the result of car crashes across the commonwealth in recent weeks.

Traffic fatalities in the 16- to 20-year-old population are up significantly from 1999 figures, especially for 18-year-olds.

"These tragic crashes, resulting in the loss of precious lives, obviously has AAA very concerned," said Georgiane Blumling, vice president of Public Affairs for AAA Tidewater.

"Though you have to look at each on its own merit, there are common elements in many of these crashes. These issues suggest that we need to revisit the current laws to see if changes need to be made as the General Assembly is

set to reconvene in two months."

Among the issues being reviewed by AAA for consideration in the next Virginia legislative session are:

- Making safety belt usage mandatory and a primary enforcement law, for all ages. So far this year, failure to wear safety belts was a factor in 59 percent of fatalities involving 18- to 20-year-olds.

- Limiting the number of passengers who could ride with a 16- or 17-year-old driver. Several national traffic safety studies have documented an increased risk of crashes when novice drivers have multiple teen passengers.

Each crash in recent weeks in Virginia involved multiple fatalities of teen passengers accompanying a 15-, 16- or 17-year-old driver.

- Re-examining the learner's

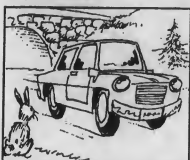
permit age in Virginia. Currently a teen-ager can acquire their learner's permit the day they turn 15. AAA would propose returning to the former age point of 15 years, eight months, or possibly 16 years old.

In addition, AAA is awaiting the results of a study by George Mason University which will review current motor vehicle laws relating to novice drivers from other states as well as those passed in Virginia in 1998. The impact these laws have on crashes and subsequent injuries and fatalities is to be part of the findings.

"We expect this study to provide us with further guidance in our teen driving initiatives," Blumling added. "We look forward to working with both the Virginia Department of Motor Vehicles and members of the legislature on this im-

portant issue."

AAA of Tidewater is a not-for-profit membership club with offices in Chesapeake, Hampton, Norfolk, Portsmouth, Virginia Beach and Williamsburg providing a full range of travel, financial and auto-related services to more than 310,000 members.



Fuel injection, which improves the performance of automobiles, was introduced by the British in 1966.

## BUSINESS REVIEW

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### Bryant Jewelry

It's not too soon to begin thinking about Christmas, and a qualified jeweler is an indispensable asset to every community at any time of the year, especially during the holidays. The jewelry store area residents turn to is Bryant Jewelry, located in Virginia Beach at 1552 Laskin Road, Suite 503, phone 422-4404.

If you're considering an engagement, anniversary or cocktail ring, precious and semi-precious gems, fine gold or a world famous watch, this is where you'll find it. You'll be delighted with the new ideas they can give you for Christmas or "just because" gifts. We want each gift we give to be remembered, as it is a reflection of our feelings for the recipient. Bryant Jewelry offers only quality merchandise at reasonable prices along with professional appraisals, exquisite custom design and mounting services, and jewelry repair. Their experience and integrity have gained the confidence of the area residents.

No matter what time of year you shop there, you'll find Bryant Jewelry fully stocked with a complete selection of exquisite jewelry and gift items. Stop in before Christmas to browse around and inquire about layaway and the other services they offer. Surprise someone special this year.

### Genesis Realty Bill Allsbrook, Owner

Total service in real estate has won the professionals at Genesis Realty the respect of homeowners, business associates and municipal officials throughout the area. Located in Virginia Beach, their full-service staff concentrates on serving the people of Hampton Roads. Whether you are selling or buying—personal, business or commercial—they are interested in representing you with the utmost integrity and experience.

Bill is a native of our area and is most of the realtors in his firm. Their knowledge of our community combined with the many years of experience in the real estate field equip them with what it takes to help you in making the right decision for you. Listing or selling with Genesis Realty will assure you the personal service you desire and deserve. Market evaluation and investment properties may also be of interest to you—they can assist in these areas too!

When you're in the market for full-scale, experienced real estate service, you will be pleased you chose this outstanding company! They offer integrity beyond reproach and the personal service you deserve! Genesis Realty is located in Virginia Beach at 6095 Indian River Road. You may reach them by calling 422-6113 or FAX 424-6120, or e-mail them at genesis@exis.net. Happy Thanksgiving from your friends at Genesis Realty.

### Design Temperature

Have you looked into the advantages of central heating and air conditioning? Perhaps cost has scared you away, but the fact is, a central heat and air system can pay for itself and then begin saving you money in a matter of years. For your home, office or business, Design Temperature, located in Virginia Beach at 1013 Neptune Avenue, phone 523-2511, is the company to call for heating and air conditioning system repair, servicing or installation. These professionals are experts in the heating and cooling field and have had years of experience in this line of work.

Whether you need a unit repaired or want a complete system installed for your home or business, these licensed professionals are fully competent to do the work. When it comes to new installations, they will be more than happy to look over your particular needs and design an economical system that will save you money in energy usage over the years.

Design Temperature will handle the total job with the utmost of skill in the shortest time possible. You'll like the friendly, businesslike manner in which they handle your needs and the reasonable charges involved. If you're considering replacing your air conditioning system or need repairs of any kind, remember Design Temperature. You'll be glad you did. The professionals at Design Temperature wish you and yours a very happy Thanksgiving.

### Burton Roofing II, Inc. Bob Burton, Owner

Your roof represents only about 3% of your building investment, yet its value is out of all proportion to its cost. Roofs are very important in the preservation, beauty and durability of your home or business. A name people in this area have come to know and trust is Burton Roofing II, located in Virginia Beach at 800 Seahawk Circle, Suite 105, phone 468-7560.

Many people do not know just what type of roof they should have on their home to add to its beauty and durability. These professionals will gladly explain the various roofing materials and their advantages to you. They feature a varied selection of materials and colors from which you may choose. Call today and let the experts at Burton Roofing II come out and examine your roof. They may find that it is in good condition, ready for many years of service or they may find defects that can easily be remedied. Their crews have the necessary experience to spot minor problems and correct them inexpensively before they develop into a major re-roofing expense.

Good roofs aren't luck. They are the result of durable materials, accurate bids, and most importantly, years of experienced professionalism. So, when you have roofing worries, call the specialists at Burton Roofing II. The entire crew at Burton Roofing II, Inc. wishes all of the people of the area happy Thanksgiving.

### Beach Woodworks & Countertops Chris Caldon, Owner

If you want your kitchen cabinets remodeled or modernized, it is definitely to your advantage to see a reliable company with enough experience to do the work properly. Beach Woodworks & Countertops, located in Virginia Beach at 220-A Southgate Avenue, phone 490-0960, has become well-known in this area for their outstanding products and workmanship. The many jobs they have completed for miles around are a testimony to their exceptional ability.

Their custom cabinet work is the pride of many homes and businesses. The beautiful cabinets constructed by these experienced craftsmen are considered to be the finest on the market. They are available in a wide variety of finishes and styles with a vast selection of hardware to highlight most any decor.

Let the professional cabinet makers at Beach Woodworks & Countertops plan every detail for you—from design to final construction. Any type of woodwork that you wish made will be professionally built to the most exacting standards. They can build entertainment centers, gun cabinets, wet bars and more. If you're interested in top quality workmanship at reasonable prices, call Beach Woodworks & Countertops today for a free estimate. Beach Woodworks & Countertops thanks their customers for their continued patronage and hopes they'll all have a happy Thanksgiving.

### Accurate Exterior Design Ian Hoecker, Owner

A new deck is a decorative and functional accent to your landscaping and a pleasant addition to the value of your home. A deck offers a wonderful avenue of entertainment for the entire family and a place of tranquility in the great outdoors. Accurate Exterior Design, located in Virginia Beach at 473 Ingram Road, phone 463-9846, specializes in deck construction as well as gazebos and other landscape accents.

Whether you need a small or large custom deck for your home, Accurate Exterior Design can do the job from start to finish. With many years of experience, these builders offer many proven designs, or they can construct a design of your choosing. They provide only quality products, and their workmanship is guaranteed. They offer a total design service from planning to completion of your building project.

If you're planning new construction, a remodeling project or have always dreamed of having a sun deck or gazebo, contact Accurate Exterior Design. Their estimating staff will be more than happy to visit with you by appointment, survey your building needs and quote you a fair price at no obligation. Enhance your summer or winter lifestyle by contacting the specialists at Accurate Exterior Design today. Accurate Exterior Design hopes your holiday is full of memory-making moments.

### Nixon Auto Sales & Rentals, Inc.

Howard Nixon, Owner • Since 1961

Sonior or later, most of us find ourselves needing a rental car, and at Nixon Auto Sales & Rentals, you will be pleasantly surprised at how easily and economically you can drive away in a clean, late model, air-conditioned automobile.

Nixon Auto Sales & Rentals, located in Virginia Beach at 623 Virginia Beach Boulevard, phone 428-8623, offers an excellent selection of automobiles for sale or rent either by the day, week or month. Compare the costs and you will find their rates to be among the most reasonable in the entire area. All of their cars are in A-1 condition inside and out, and are serviced regularly to assure you of quality performance when you need it the most. Every customer is made to feel welcome, and you'll be treated fairly from the first phone call to the time you return the car.

Reservations can be made in advance, and major credit cards are always accepted. The next time you need a rental car for a vacation, business trip or replacement transportation, remember to call Nixon Auto Sales & Rentals first. Their excellent service is sure to bring you back again and again. Your friends at Nixon Auto Sales & Rentals, Inc., wish you a happy Thanksgiving.

### Graphic Trends Lee & Mike Chapman, Owners • Locally Owned & Operated

If you take pride in your automobile and would like to enhance or customize its appearance, Graphic Trends can help you design artistic customizing details for any make or model of car, van or truck. Whether you want to achieve a sporty image or want to customize your show car or truck, these specialists have the experience and expertise to produce prize-winning finishing details.

Attention to detail is the priority of Graphic Trends. They do detail work such as pinstriping, vinyl lettering and custom vinyl auto graphics. Let them dress up your vehicle's interior with wood grain or carbon fiber dash moldings, or how about a complete custom upholstery design. For additional effects, they sell and install complete high-quality car audio and in-car video systems. For the final touch, how about a custom auto security system, available even with remote vehicle starter. They will order most any type of addition for your automobile and install it in the shortest time possible.

Specializing in automobile design, Graphic Trends knows that you, the customer, demand only first-quality work, and they have established a reputation as "perfectionists." Call them at 518-9479 for more information or bring your car by their shop located in Virginia Beach at 89 South Witchduck Road. They are confident you will be pleased with the finished effect and offer assurance that you will receive only the best in automotive detailing.

### Tidy Steam Carpet Care Yvonne DeRosier, Owner

Today, nearly all of us have carpeting in our homes and commercial offices. To keep that carpet really clean and to prolong its life, something more than routine vacuuming is necessary. Periodic steam cleaning is the best way to clean, preserve and enhance the appearance of your carpets and rugs.

In this area, the carpet cleaning firm that many people have come to know and trust is Tidy Steam Carpet Care, located in Virginia Beach, phone 306-9941. Serving the entire Hampton Roads area, these trained professionals are carpet cleaning experts. They provide a truck-powered steam cleaning process which cleans deep, dries fast and leaves no sticky residue in your carpet. Special attention is paid to high traffic areas and difficult spots. Their service also disinfects and deodorizes your carpet. Tidy Steam Carpet Care's personnel are prompt, courteous and efficient, and they will treat your home or business as if it were their own. In addition, they are bonded and insured for your protection and will also provide a free estimate. Residential and commercial jobs receive the same careful attention. Also offered is emergency water removal service.

For beautifully clean carpets and upholstery at a surprisingly low cost, the professionals at Tidy Steam Carpet Care are the people to contact. Make your appointment by calling 306-9941. You'll be extremely pleased with the results. The entire crew at Tidy Steam Carpet Care wishes all of the people of the area happy Thanksgiving.

### Super Clean Detail Shop Rey Lugo, Owner

Super Clean Detail Shop is this area's automotive "detail" connection. Located in Virginia Beach at 204 Dorset Avenue, phone 490-7007, they offer people who take pride in the appearance of their car a hand wash and wax service that will preserve your car's finish, giving it that "new car" look once again.

At Super Clean Detail Shop, several cleaning options are featured. The hand wash includes hand washing of the exterior as well as vacuuming and a professional vinyl dressing for the interior. Their complete interior job includes shampooing the carpet, steam cleaning the seats, headliner and door panels as well as detailing the dash and treatment for all vinyl. The hand wax process offers a complete hand wash and wax, removing road dirt, pine sap and other harmful dirt and grime. They will also vacuum and treat the interior vinyl with this option. Their bumper-to-bumper treatment includes the complete hand wash and wax and the total interior job as well as cleaning the trunk and steam cleaning the engine. Detail work for dealerships is a specialty.

Owners depend on the service of Super Clean Detail Shop because of their "attention to detail." Now would be the perfect time to winter-proof your car before the cold weather arrives! The entire crew at Super Clean Detail Shop wishes all of the people of the area happy holidays.

### Mike's Paint & Body

Mike Abenante, Owner • "We Want Your Body Work"

The place to have your car body repaired or painted is Mike's Paint & Body, located in Virginia Beach at 495 London Bridge Road, Suite 104, phone 486-2720. They specialize in all phases of collision repair and auto painting.

Mike's Paint & Body features complete auto body repair on all American and imported cars and trucks. Whether it is a small or large job, you will receive the same courteous attention and professional workmanship. Most insurance policies permit you to choose the repair shop you prefer. Select this reputable firm to do all of your auto body work. Mike's Paint & Body's auto painting is among the best done in this area because they offer custom color matching that puts their work in a class by itself.

When you need body work or a paint job on your car or truck, bring it to the place that has satisfied so many other people throughout the area! Their 24-hour towing service makes it convenient, and their expert workmanship makes it a must. Visit them on the Web at [www.mikespaintandbody.net](http://www.mikespaintandbody.net). "We Want Your Body"—for all your paint and body work needs, see the experts at Mike's Paint & Body. Mention this reader ad on your next visit and receive 10% off. The entire crew at Mike's Paint & Body wishes all of the people of the area happy Thanksgiving.

### Hall Chrysler-Jeep At The Oceanfront

The automobile you drive is a reflection of your tastes, personality and lifestyle. The Chrysler automobile is a benchmark for quality and luxury. Hall Chrysler-Jeep is the luxury car headquarters for individuals seeking comfort and reliability in driving.

People everywhere strive to achieve success through wise decisions and profit-making deals. That is why successful people enjoy doing business with Hall Chrysler-Jeep. Their sales staff is well-known for their honesty, integrity and the quality of each automobile they sell and service. They stand behind each automobile sold and assure each customer of its high performance. When you want to experience the pleasure and comfort of owning a Chrysler, visit Hall Chrysler-Jeep, located in Virginia Beach at 529 Virginia Beach Boulevard, at the oceanfront, phone 428-1243. They have a large selection of automobiles available on their lot or will special order any automobile to your specifications. They believe in matching the buyer with the automobile—satisfying all your wants in your driving experience.

Hall Chrysler-Jeep wants to give their customers the pleasure of owning a luxury automobile. Once you've driven a Chrysler, you will never want to drive anything less. Mention this reader ad and receive \$500.00 off any car they have in stock. See Sales Manager Erica Linzy-Bailey for more information. The entire crew at Hall Chrysler-Jeep wishes all of the people of the area happy Thanksgiving.

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## News in Brief

### Holiday family fest

The Contemporary Art Center of Virginia will present a Holiday Family Fest Sunday, Dec. 10 from 2 to 4 p.m. Celebrate the winter holidays with tasty treats, cheerful music, colorful ornaments to make and take and gingerbread boys and girls to decorate. Also, meet 94-year-old Bessie Nickens and at 3 p.m. hear delightful stories from her childhood, as portrayed in the current exhibition of her paintings, "Walking the Log...Memories of a Southern Childhood: Painting by Bessie Nickens."

Nickens will also be signing copies of her illustrated book available for sale in the center's gift shop (CAC members receive a discount).

Family Fest is sponsored by The Virginia Beach Foundation and WHRO's "Colors All Our Own," and is coordinated, in part, through Art-Arium II Art Center in Portsmouth. The event is free and open to the public.

### 'Bye Bye birdie'

The Encore Players will hold auditions for the popular "50's" musical "Bye Bye Birdie" Tuesday, Dec. 5 from 4 to 10 p.m. at the Naval Amphibious Base Theater, Little Creek. Auditions are open to active duty military, retirees, military family members and base employees. A costume, orchestra members and stage crew are also needed. For appointments and information call, 460-5152.

### Lighting the way

"Hog-scraper," "rush light," "extinguisher" — learn about these items and more in a special tour featuring the lighting devices of 17th-century Virginia. Providing light without burning down the house could be quite a challenge in early America. Learn how they did it Saturday, Dec. 9 or Saturday, Dec. 16 at 2 p.m. at the Adam Thoroughgood House during "Lighting the Way." This tour is included in the regular admission price of \$3.50 for adults, \$3 for senior citizens, \$2.50 for students and \$2 for children. The Adam Thoroughgood House is located at 1636 Parish Rd. Call 431-4000.

### Holiday tea

The Linkhorn Park Garden Club tea will be held Friday, Dec. 1 from 3 to 5 p.m. at the home of Andrew and Laura Howard, 107 Dogwood Dr. Members of the club will decorate the house and provide food for the tea. Wayne Jones will judge the arrangements. The club recently began its bridge marathon, an annual fund-raising project which will continue through May.

### DAC hosts curator

The Rev. Robert Hunt Chapter, Daughters of the American Colonists, will meet Dec. 2 at the Norfolk Yacht and Country Club. The cost will be \$16.35 a person. Make your check payable to Peggy Joyal, 7705 North Shirland Ave., Apt. B2, Norfolk, Va. 23505-1869. Peggy Joyal and Peggy Roper will be the hostesses. Benn Trask, associate curator of the Mariner's Museum will be the guest speaker. Veterans chairman Genevieve Frost will be appreciating gifts (wrapped) and donations for the veterans.

### MADD vigil

The Southside Mother's Against Drunk Driving (MADD) will hold its annual Candlelight Vigil of Remembrance and Hope at Town Point Park in downtown Norfolk Tuesday, Dec. 5 at 6 p.m. All members of the public as well as victims are invited to attend.

### Toys for Tots

In support of the USMC annual Toys for Tots campaign, the Retired Officers Association will host a Christmas cocktail party at the Oceana Officers Club on Wednesday, Dec. 6, at 6:30 p.m. Guests are encouraged to donate an unwrapped toy suitable for boys and girls of all ages for collection and distribution by USMC representatives. For reservations, call 464-6799 no later than noon, Nov. 30.

### Puppet show

The Kempville Area Library, 832 Kempville Rd., will present their fourth annual "Family Christmas Puppet Show," Dec. 11 and 12 at 7 p.m. The whole family is invited for an evening of holiday entertainment. Call 495-1016 to register, beginning Monday, Nov. 20. Participation is limited to 100.

### Basketball camp

The Paul Webb Holiday Basketball Camp will be held Dec. 26-29 from 9 a.m. to noon at the Great Neck, Kempville and Princess Anne community recreation centers. Cost is \$80 and is open to boys and girls in grades one through eight. To register call 464-4561.

## Maasai warrior trades in spear for an education



**NEW LIFE.** Steven Lemomo Kiruswa traded his life as a young Maasai warrior for the challenge of the classroom. Today, he is working on his doctorate at Regent University.

By Melissa Harris  
Correspondent

At the age of 9, Steven Lemomo Kiruswa was forced out of warrior garb and into school clothes.

The year was 1972 when Kiruswa, one of many young Tanzanian children who were part of a newly-established government decree, was required to receive an education through schooling.

The law demanded that one child from every family attend school. The law was made in an effort to raise literacy skills in Tanzania, East Africa — Kiruswa's home.

Traditionally, Tanzania did not have schools," said Kiruswa. "The government wanted us to go to school to keep up with reading, writing and mathematics. After school, we would go home and teach our families."

Last year, Kiruswa brought tremendous honor to his tribe by returning with a master's degree from Regent University in Virginia Beach. This year, back at Regent University, Kiruswa is working on his doctorate degree.

This transition is an amazing accomplishment for anyone, but especially a Maasai warrior.

Dr. Benson Fraser, a communications professor at Regent University, has had the opportunity to work closely with Kiruswa. In addition, Fraser accepted an invitation from Kiruswa to explore his homeland in Tanzania.

"As a professor, it's amazing to me he can be so bicultural," said Fraser. "He's very flexible in that way. He doesn't try to change the system, he just works through it."

Kiruswa is a born-citizen of the Maasai people, one of many small tribes in East Africa. Their name is derived from the language they speak called "Maa." The tribe has set traditions that each member must obey — traditions Kiruswa takes very seriously.

"At every age you have a specific responsibility to the community and to your family," said Kiruswa. "Because of the government's new law, my responsibility had drastically changed."

Kiruswa said he was a shepherd-boy who, like his father and brother before him, had dreams of becoming a warrior. Instead, he was sent to school. Kiruswa would soon discover, however, that his education would fulfill dreams unimaginable to most of his tribe members.

When Kiruswa entered secondary school he became a Christian. Kiruswa said that his parents, who still practiced Maasai traditions, feared he might become unfaithful to his family and community. However, Kiruswa learned to equate Christianity with the Maasai culture, and eventually convinced the majority of his family to do the same.

"The Maasai believe in the freedom of choice of religion once you are an adult, which made it easier to balance both cultures," said Kiruswa. "I take the good from both cultures."

After Kiruswa completed high school, he was to become a Maasai warrior. He spent one year in a training camp and traveled on many lion-hunt expeditions. In total, Kiruswa speared and killed three lions. Kiruswa's dream of becoming a warrior had come true. After each killing, the men celebrated. The skin of the lion

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## Test your global IQ at World Quest 2000

By Jim DeAngelo  
Correspondent

If you like playing "Trivial Pursuit," always know the answers to Alex Trebek's "Jeopardy!" questions, or win the million each time you watch "Who Wants to be a Millionaire?" on television, then World Quest 2000 is for you.

Designed as a fundraiser for the World Affairs Council of Greater Hampton Roads, World Quest 2000 is the ultimate geography challenge and more.

"It is a contest which teams eight players together to test their wits against other teams for prizes and the honor and glory of winning," said Maria Zammit, World Quest co-organizer.

"World Quest 2000 will consist of four rounds. Each round has 15 questions, some multiple-choice, and questions will be drawn from general knowledge, current events and geography."

Area contestants are invited to test their skill and knowledge — their "global IQ" — against teams sponsored by The Virginian-Pilot, NATO, William and Mary, Old Dominion University, Christopher Newport University and several area high schools, among others. Form a team, get some friends or co-workers together, and register for World Quest 2000.

Don't have eight team members? No problem. Organizers will place you on a team at the event. It will be held Wednesday evening, Nov. 29 at ODU's Webb Center beginning with a silent auction and dinner at 6 p.m.

The game begins at 7 p.m., including breaks for raffle prizes and door prizes and concludes with the announcement of World Quest and silent auction winners.

Silent auction items include dinner for four with Maestro JoAnn Falletta,

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**FRESH OFF THE TREE.** Cindy Weatherly displays an evergreen wreath that she made by hand. Wreaths, trees and handmade reindeer will be available at roadside stands and farms throughout the farm belt until Christmas.

## Roadside stands prepare for seasonal changes

By Jane Rowe  
Correspondent

Late November brings gray skies, raw winds and a bleak landscape to southern Virginia Beach. The remaining leaves and cornstalks are brown, while tomatoes and tender summer annuals are drooping and blackened from the season's first heavy frost.

At first glance, it doesn't look like too much is happening right now in Virginia Beach's farm belt. Sweet corn and tomatoes are just summer memories now, and even the pumpkins have disappeared from roadside stands as the seasons change once again.

If you take the time to look again, however, you'll find that there's still a lot of green in the fields, and a lot of human activity as well.

Now's the time for collards, kale, oysters and hams. It's also time to start thinking about Christmas, and for those whose taste run to the rustic and natural, there are plenty of fresh-cut trees, ever-

green wreaths and handmade crafts available.

To many locals, early winter is the one of the most eagerly anticipated time of the year, and the raw weather is just part of the package.

"Oh, yes, it's chilly out there," said Creeds resident Jim Bright on one recent overcast day. "It feels like winter today, but I've been out cutting collards this morning. I got a big order in for some."

Despite the soggy summer, this year's collards look good, Bright added.

"The collards are real good," Bright said. "The rain delayed the planting, but then it turned real dry and we had to water them a little. It (the weather) was something: first we were flooding and now we're dry. But the collards turned out real well, and they've sweetened up a lot since frost."

Further up Princess Anne Road, Cindy Barnes was busily ringing up customers

## Wildlife rehabilitators care for wild, orphaned

By Andrea Miles  
Correspondent

The Virginia Beach Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals has gone nuts over squirrels.

But squirrels are only one part of the wildlife rehabilitation program, which works to help wild animals of all kinds. Workers say their wildlife rehabilitation program is an important, though little-known, part of the SPCA's work.

"I think when many people think of the SPCA as a humane society, they think of dogs and cats, when in reality our responsibility is to all living things," said Sharon Adams, the executive director of the Virginia Beach SPCA.

"We have a responsibility to those living in our community who are not do-

mesticated, and that's where wildlife comes in."

The wildlife rehabilitation program, which operated in every city in South Hampton Roads, provides a conduit between concerned citizens who found injured wildlife and the volunteers who knew what to do with the animals.

Citizens who find injured or orphaned wildlife can call the SPCA, said Adams. The SPCA then either tells the people what to do with the animal or transports the animal to a rehabilitation volunteer who knows how to take care of it.

The wildlife rehabilitation program started as a support system for volunteers who took care of injured or orphaned wild animals, said Adams. The SPCA pro-

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**HANDLED WITH CARE.** A young squirrel thrives under the attention of a Virginia Beach SPCA animal rehabilitation volunteer. The programs needs more helpers like Barbara Gipson, who is tending this animal.

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# Commentary

## Winter preparedness

Treacherous ice, pelting sleet, drifting snow, howling winds and bone-chilling temperatures, these may not seem like much of a concern as Hampton Roads experiences above-average temperatures for this time of year.

Yet when these conditions occur, they create a recipe for disaster.

For those who take the time to get prepared, the winter season can be more of a nuisance than a tragedy.

In recent years, Virginians have dealt with snow drifts, closed highways, subzero temperatures, prolonged power outages and fuel shortages.

A turn in the weather and this winter season might give us an unexpected emergency.

Severe winter weather doesn't have to be a life-or-death peril. If we prepare now for winter hazards and pay close attention to National Weather Service advisories, we can safely face whatever winter has in store for us.

The following tips can help you make the winter months ahead safer for you and your family.

■ Stock an emergency supply of water and non-perishable foods.

■ Keep an adequate supply of fuel in your home. Have an alternate heat source, such as a wood stove, fireplace or space heater in case you lose power.

■ Make sure you have a flashlight, a battery-powered radio, extra batteries, a first-aid kit and extra prescription medications that you might need.

■ To prevent hypothermia, dress warmly, both during the day and while sleeping. Several layers of lighter weight clothing or blankets are better than a single heavy layer. Be sure to wear a hat when going outside. Nearly half the body's heat is lost through the top of the head.

■ Check on elderly neighbors and relatives. The elderly are especially susceptible to hypothermia, even inside their homes. Icy and slippery surfaces can cause dangerous falls.

■ Be sure your car is in good running order. Have a mechanic check your battery, antifreeze, wipers, ignition and thermostat.

■ Keep basic items in your car, such as a windshield scraper, battery booster cables, two chain or rope, bag of sand, blanket, flashlight, first-aid kit, road map and some non-perishable food.

■ If you get caught on the road during a winter storm, stay in the car. Don't seek shelter or a telephone unless you can see one close by. For heat, turn on the car engine for brief periods.

■ To keep water pipes from freezing, wrap them in pipe insulation. During sustained cold periods, let each faucet drip a little to avoid freezing.



## Anyone can grow up to be president

As of press time, we still do not know who our next president will be, but we know a lot about "hanging chads, half hanging chads, pregnant chads and butterfly ballots."

It is obvious at this point that the inmates are running the asylum in Florida, so I won't waste the space to try and explain what insanity is going on down there in regards to the presidential election. I will talk about past presidents. Those who are

disseminated to learn that many of the most popular beliefs about presidents are false may be gratified to discover that at least there's truth to the old idea that anybody can grow up to be president — but not too much truth.

Of all our presidents, only one or two started out dirt poor. The rest grew up in the middle class or higher, usually the latter. The great majority benefited from inherited advantages denied to most of their countrymen.

By the reckoning of historian Edward Pessen, 16 presidents came from the upper class, another 16 from the upper middle class, three from the middle class and three from the lower middle class. Just one (Andrew Johnson) was out-and-out poor, unless you include Richard Nixon, as you conceivably could (though Pessen puts him in the lower-middle class category).

Much of the confusion about the origin of the presidents stem from the vague way in which the word "poor" is frequently used.

Abraham Lincoln is almost universally believed to have been poor, and by modern standards he was. But he wasn't poor compared with his neighbors.

According to Pessen, Lincoln's father belonged to the richest 15 percent of taxpayers in his community. Similarly, Lyndon Johnson is usually described as a son of poverty, and he himself gave people that impression. The description is only partly true. Although he grew up with poverty, he was hardly your average poor boy. His father was a state legislator.

Would-be president Al Gore's father was a U.S. senator from Tennessee who made a lot of money from tobacco, among other things, and his son Al is a millionaire.

Wanna-be president George W. Bush is the son of George Bush, former president of the United States. George W. is governor of Texas and is said to have an estimated \$20 million. Bill Clinton was raised in a home with an alcoholic stepfather, so he did not have the advantages that Al Gore and George W. Bush did. He deserves credit for overcoming that disadvantage.

Welcome to the real world.

## First, and always, follow the law

Common sense is all that's needed when it comes to resolving who won the closest presidential election in our nation's history. After all, we are talking about the legitimacy in the minds of the American people of the man who sits in the most powerful office in the world. I can think of very few times in our history that we must demand that reason, not passion, guides our decision-making.



Perspectives

By Eileen Huey, columnist

So, before either side of this understandably highly partisan battle tries to shove its candidate into the Oval Office by the sheer volume of its political rhetoric, the voice of the voters must prevail. For that to happen, legitimate issues raised by either side in this election have an absolute right to be heard and ruled upon by the Supreme Court of Florida. Then it will be time for all Americans, Florida or not, to heed that ruling and abide by the result of its outcome.

America is a nation of 50 states. Our Constitution and the Electoral College system make it crystal clear that the only arbiter of each state's elections (and, hence, the choice of its electors) is its own election law as that law is ultimately interpreted by its Supreme Court.

Obviously, if any state violates any citizens equal protection right to vote granted under the U.S. Constitution, even a state supreme court could be overruled by our U.S. Supreme Court. But that scenario is very unlikely to happen in Florida or in any other state in our union.

Courts throughout our land are extremely careful not to interfere in any election process except to insure that all citizens have their vote counted in a fair and dispassionate manner. The actual procedure for how those votes are counted (or not counted) is strictly a matter of state election law.

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Insuring those laws are properly carried out and do not violate their citizens' right to vote and have their vote be counted is the single most important reason that state supreme court become involved in the first place. So, it is highly unlikely that any state supreme court would ever other than on the side of the voters' right to be counted.

In our partisan haste for our candidate to win this election, we must not lose sight of how important it is that we are a nation of law. We do not resolve disputes by whoever wins the spin wars, the public relations campaign, the latest polls or the dueling demonstrations on the streets. Unless we follow the rules (even rules we don't agree with) we would be well on our way to undermining the stability of our government itself.

Without question, law itself is imperfect. After all, humans write it. That's why we have supreme courts in the first place. There must be a final arbiter to resolve conflicts that arise under the law, whether those disputes arise from dueling laws or constitutional interpretations of the law itself.

Apparently, Florida election law does have some significant discrepancies. On the one hand, it permits all counties to carry out a manual recount of the votes to determine the intent of the voter from visual inspection of the ballot whenever a one percent sample shows that a full hand recount could change the result of an election. That is precisely the case in Broward, Palm Beach and Miami-Dade counties in Florida.

However, the same legislature also permits that counties certify their returns one week after an election is held. That means that the first law permitting the manual count would be physically impossible in highly populous counties like Broward, Miami-Dade and Palm Beach who have between 450,000 and 600,000 votes cast in a presidential election.

Another problem with Florida election law is its vagueness. The problem noted by the Bush proponents that standard methods of determining whether or not markings on punch-card ballots do or do not show the intent of the voter ought to be in place to guide local canvassing boards is a point well-taken. That is precisely the kind of issue that the Florida Supreme Court can resolve by interpreting the rulings of various lower courts on this issue throughout the state.

So, however this election turns out is not nearly as important as whether it is decided in accordance with law. We may not like the ruling of Florida Supreme Court (or even of the U.S. Supreme Court if it comes to that) but all Floridians are bound to abide by it, as are the rest of us bystanders in this process. The U.S. Constitution makes it very clear that our system for electing a president is an electoral contest carried out in 50 separate states.

Virginians may not like the laws of Florida but that is just too bad. If we want national standards on balloting and procedures in future elections, we can change the law and perhaps even amend the Constitution.

But this election is a past event that must be determined by the election laws applicable on the date the votes were cast. Once we start ignoring the law, we will soon find the stability of our entire government in dire jeopardy.

## Misfortunate is beyond our control

By Allen Smith

"People don't ever seem to realize that doing what's right is no guarantee against misfortune."

Some people have the mistaken notion that if they live good lives, develop good health habits, and exercise a reasonable degree of caution, they will escape major misfortune in life.

But, no matter how hard we try to do what is right, there is no guarantee that tragedy will not visit us. Some of the greatest tragedies that befall many of us are totally beyond our control.

The astounding popularity of the acclaimed best-selling book, "When Bad Things Happen to Good People," by Harold S. Kushner, demonstrated just how hungry people are for explanations of why

bad things happen to good people.

When Kushner and his wife were told about their 3-year-old son's terrible illness, they could not believe that such a thing was happening to them.

They were informed that their son had progeria ("rapid aging") and that he would die in his early teens. Kushner was a young rabbi of a local congregation in Boston at the time, and he describes his feelings as follows in the introduction to the book.

"What I mostly felt that day was a deep, aching sense of unfairness. It didn't make sense. I had been a good person. I had tried to do what was right in the sight of God. More than that, I was living a more religiously committed life than most people I knew, people

who had large, healthy families.

I believed that I was following God's ways and doing His work. How could this be happening to my family?"

Kushner's son, Aaron, died two days after his 14th birthday. Aaron's life and death inspired the book, "When Bad Things Happen to Good People," a book that has helped millions of people who have experienced similarly meaningless tragedies in their own lives.

Nobody knows why bad things happen to good people or why bad things have to happen to anyone. It is a terrible mistake for us to try to blame ourselves when meaningless tragedies come into our lives.

Life is complex, and there is much that we are not capable of understanding. Tragedy strikes good people as well as those who are not so good. We should all try to live the good life and show compassion for those who face tragedy.

If we escape major tragedy during most of our life we should consider ourselves fortunate.

But we dare not assume that when tragedy strikes someone else it is because they are not living a good life. Think about it.

Allen W. Smith is a syndicated columnist from Naples, Fla., who focuses on the individual and daily life.



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# Thousands brave chilly weather for Santa, city lights

By Jim DeAngio

Correspondent

It was chilly, but thousands turned out anyway to see the lights. Santa too, of course.

Winter was definitely in the air last Saturday night as Hampton Roads residents lined the streets in downtown Norfolk for the annual Holidays in the City Grand Illumination and Parade.

Leading the parade this year, Portsmouth police officers joined their Norfolk brethren. The first float represented Portsmouth as well, stepping off at 7 p.m., just after cities on both sides of the Elizabeth River were lit up.

The two cities joined forces for this year's grand illumination and parade and area residents benefited from the gesture. They saw more than seven miles of riverfront lit up for the holidays.

In the parade, they saw brightly lit floats and listened to the area's many bands. They ooh'd and aaah'd at the Khedive Corvettes weaving in and out of a "figure eight."

They marveled at a giant, helium filled snowman. Even the Grinch was there, but only in the form of a harmless toy.

But mostly they just tried to keep warm.

"Man! They must be freezing," said one teen, watching majorettes high-step it down the street. Several bands featured cheerleaders, majorettes and young ladies carrying flags that had on what many thought was too little for this time of the year.

To keep themselves warm, onlookers bundled up. They wore coats and scarves, huddled together, and sipped hot chocolate. Several blankets and sleeping bags were also spotted, as residents waited for the big moment.

Sure, they enjoyed the bands, the church groups, the caroling. They all applauded when the holiday lights lit up the buildings. But it was clear that they came to see one man. They bundled up and sat on cold curbs. They knew of the traffic jam that would follow the parade. It would all be worth it if they could just wave to him one time as he passed.

"Where's Santa?" they kept asking. "San-ta. San-ta. San-ta," they chanted.

Finally, he came down the street. From the float's "rooftop," he waved. They waved back. He bid everyone a "Merry Christmas!" They applauded. They cheered.

Clearly, they were happy. Cold, but happy to see Santa at last. The holidays have arrived in the city.



Photos by  
Jim DeAngio



# Use your smarts when doing grocery shopping

As promised last week, today I'm going to give you some ways to save money when you go to the grocery store. The information listed can be found, as well as additional information,



The Mayor's Report

Mayor Meyers Oberdorf

in another publication by the Virginia Extension Service if you call our Virginia Beach Extension Office at 427-4769.

We all know that a nutritious diet is important to our health and we should not cut corners by giving up nutritious foods. If we shop carefully,

even on a tight budget, we can get the most for our food dollar by adopting the following practices:

- Choose the grocery store that will give you the most for your money. A large supermarket will nearly always have lower prices than small stores, because they can buy their stock in larger quantities.

Take a detailed grocery list with you to the store and buy only what is on the grocery list except in the following cases: a food item is on sale, or at a lower price, and can be substituted for some food on your list. The food substituted should give similar nutrients; if staples or a favorite family food is on sale, buy a larger quantity than planned. Be sure it can be eaten before it spoils and you have storage space.

- Compare prices by using cost per unit of various foods. The "unit price" is usually listed on the grocery shelf. If possible, buy yourself a miniature hand calculator so you can add up the cost of your groceries as you shop as well as divide the cost by numbers of ounces and compare the cost per ounce between the various brands.

If you shop with children they will want everything they see and may distract you from your effort to shop

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wisely. Beware of impulse buying...stick to your grocery list.

- Do not shop when hungry. This tempts you to buy expensive snacks and ready-to-eat foods.

- Consider quality as well as price. The cheapest is not always the best buy. Try one can of a cheaper brand to see if your family likes it. Store brands are usually a better buy than highly advertised brands, and they are usually of good quality.

- Always check weights. Size and shape of containers may be deceiving. Avoid unwanted leftovers by buying as nearly as possible the exact amount needed for a recipe. Dietetic products and specialty foods (as in Health Food Stores) are usually more expensive and may offer no advantages.

- Read labels to see what you are paying for. In the ingredient list, the ingredient listed first is the one present in the largest quantity. Most canned and package foods will have the nutrient value listed. Don't waste money on foods that provide only fat, sugar and calories.

- Fresh skimmed or low-fat milk may cost slightly less than fresh whole milk, but gives all the nutrients of whole milk, except the fat. Instant nonfat dry milk may cost less per serving than fresh milk and can save you a great deal of money if you use it for cooking or drinking. Mix it half

and half with fresh milk for drinking and get the flavor of fresh milk.

Evaporated milk may be less expensive than fresh milk. It can be used for cooking or for whipped topping. Be sure to check the "sell by" date on fresh whole, low-fat and skimmed milk to make sure you can use it before it spoils. If milk has been kept cold, it will usually stay fresh for two or three days after the "sell by" date. Do not put milk products in the grocery cart until last.

- When buying cheese, remember that pre-sliced, individually-wrapped cheese may be more expensive than bulk or store-brand cheese. It is also cheaper "food" rather than pure cheese. Sharp cheddar cheese is more expensive than medium sharp which is more expensive than by the pound.

- It is often more economical to buy a large cut of meat and divide it into several meals or servings than to buy the component cuts separately. Example: Buy a pork loin roast and cut into pork chops. Meats that have already been breaded will cost more. Do your own breading.

- Buy the form of canned fruits or vegetables which best suits the intended use. Example: Stewed tomatoes may be cheaper than whole; sliced peaches may be cheaper than halves.

- Look for enriched or whole grain breads, crackers and other baked goods. You'll get more minerals and vitamins for your money. Whole grain breads and cereals provide the most fiber and some nutrients not found in enriched products. "Day-old" breads cost less and are good for toast, bread crumbs and stuffing. Substitute enriched, all-purpose flour for cake flour (it costs less). One cup minus two tablespoons of all purpose flour equals one cup of cake flour.

- Hot cereals cost less per serving than ready-to-eat cereals. Whole grain cereals offer the most nutrition for your money. Sugar-coated cereals and those with fancy flavors and shapes usually cost more than plain forms and are not as nutritious. Individually-serving-size boxes of cereal cost more per serving than a large box.

- Plain shapes of pasta are usually less expensive than fancy shapes.



Photo by Jason Norman

**UNIQUE OPPORTUNITY.** Salem High School biology teacher Terry Murphy watches as a student conducts an experiment. Students will have the unique opportunity, with assistance from Virginia Tech, to get hands-on experience with DNA.

## Fralin Center team up with local students

By Jason Norman Correspondent

For various reasons, not every science student in the area has accessibility to the best equipment and supplies that biology has to offer.

Some schools might not have the finances available for such study (the cost of certain types of equipment often runs into the thousands). Some schools might have the time, preferring instead to limit science education to lectures and small, simple experiments.

But if the Fralin Biotechnology Center at Virginia Tech has its way, students across Virginia (and ultimately the nation) will soon have every opportunity to receive the best education available in biology and other types of science.

Using several huge trucks around the state, the Fralin Center loans thousands of dollars worth of equipment to area high schools, enabling the students to entertain all sorts of new experiments and ideas that they normally would have no chance to receive. Currently, one local school who has taken advantage of the Fralin Center's offering is Salem High School.

Enthusiastic biology students, led by teacher Terry Murphy, will spend three weeks (beginning Monday) using a specialized kit to learn about the proteins of different fish. "The challenge of this experiment is just to keep something alive," explained Murphy. "When these kids leave school, they go home and Mom feeds them. They don't realize how hard it is to find one's own food."

Students will use a mortar and a pestle (not the type that fires bullets!) to grind up small samples of fish muscles, which will then be placed in a solution that will dissolve them. After being separated with a centrifuge, small drops of the cells will be placed on galls, to which an electric current will be supplied. The current will separate proteins based on their sizes. This will allow students to determine the molecular weight of proteins and their abundance in the samples.

"These are things that students will see more of as they progress in their education," said Kristi De Courcy, lab manager of Fralin Biotechnology Center.

"Instead of us going out to have to find everything ourselves," praised Murphy, "Virginia Tech puts everything together for us. They label everything, place it into a truck and deliver it straight to us. We have so much else to do, so they do so much for us."

"I think that the class is going to be very interested," he continued. "They're not sure what's going to happen yet, but they know it's going to take a lot of time, so they're very nervous. They're always interested in things that affect the real world. I think that they often ask themselves, 'What am I going to get out of this, and am I going to understand it?' They'll be able to learn a lot about DNA, and what exactly proteins are. This will be much easier than the O.J. Simpson trial was!"

"We're going to have to jam two days of work into an hour and a half," joked Murphy, "and then have to offer them bonus points to come back!"

"The old labs are sometimes the best, because they're very practical. But the problem with some of them, particularly with computer labs, is that the kids don't get to see what's going on inside. They have to interpret things from graphs and data."

"A problem that students today have," Murphy said, "is that they've gotten away from standard

science, and gone toward 'real world' science. They don't want to just memorize definitions. They want to know how it affects them, and how they can use it after they leave the classroom. So we tell them that."

"We don't sugarcoat anything. We tell them if there's the possibility that the things we work with can hurt them, or kill them."

We tell them how they can help themselves with what they do in here.

"With this project, we've tied together so many areas of science. We started off with biology and then incorporated earth science, meteorology, chemistry and physics. We put them all together, and show exactly how they can relate to each other."

The only problem we're going to have with this program," Murphy joked, "will be trying to cram days of work into an hour and a half!"

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### Public Notice

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING** The Virginia Beach Planning Commission will hold a Public Hearing on Wednesday, December 13, 2000 at 12:00 Noon in the Council Chambers of the City Hall Building, Princess Anne Courthouse Virginia Beach, Virginia. A briefing session will be held at 9:00 a.m. in the City Manager's Conference Room,

City Hall Building. **PLANNING COMMISSION ACTION IS NOT A FINAL DETERMINATION OF THE APPLICATION, BUT ONLY A RECOMMENDATION TO THE CITY COUNCIL AS THE VIEWPOINT OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION. FINAL DETERMINATION OF THE APPLICATION IS TO BE MADE BY CITY COUNCIL AT A LATER DATE, AFTER PUBLIC NOTICE IN A NEWSPAPER HAVING GENERAL CIRCULATION WITHIN THE CITY.**

THOSE MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC INTERESTED IN ATTENDING THE PUBLIC HEARING SHOULD BE ADVISED THAT, FOR REASONS THE PLANNING COMMISSION DEEMS APPROPRIATE, CERTAIN ITEMS ON THE AGENDA MAY BE HEARD OUT OF ORDER AND THAT IT SHOULD NOT BE ASSUMED THAT THE ORDER LISTED BELOW WILL BE EXACTLY FOLLOWED DURING THE PUBLIC HEARING.

The staff reviews of some or all of the items on this agenda suggest that certain conditions be attached to approval by City Council. However, it should not be assumed that those conditions constitute all the conditions that will ultimately be attached to the project. Staff agencies may impose further conditions and requirements during administration of applicable city ordinances.

**SUBDIVISION VARIANCE:**

1. Appeal to Decisions of Administrative Officers in regard to certain elements of the Subdivision Ordinance, Subdivision for Steve Hall. Property is located at 1553 Egleston Lane (GPN #1479-32-4764). DISTRICT 4 - BAYSIDE.

2. Appeal to Decisions of Administrative Officers in regard to certain elements of the Subdivision Ordinance, Subdivision for Stephen Herriot. Property is located at 1501 Cypress Avenue and 615 15th Street (GPN #2417-95-6903; #2417-95-6962). DISTRICT 6 - BEACH.

**CHANGE OF ZONING DISTRICT CLASSIFICATION:**

3. An Ordinance upon Application of Betty M. Sundin for a Change of Zoning District Classification from O-2 Office District to Conditional B-2 Community Business District on the south side of Laskin Road, east of Freemac Drive. The proposed zoning classification change to Conditional B-2 is for retail land use. The Comprehensive Plan recommends use of this parcel for suburban residential/medium and high density at densities that are compatible with residential use in accordance with other Plan policies. Said parcel is located at 1385 Laskin Road and contains 20,500 square feet. DISTRICT 5 - LYNNHAVEN.

4. An Ordinance upon Application of Billy W. Chaplain for a Change of Zoning District Classification on the following parcels:

Parcel 1: From R-T3 Resort Tourist District to Conditional B-2 Community Business District at the southwest corner of Virginia Beach Boulevard and Washington Avenue. Said parcel contains 26,639 square feet.

Parcel 2: From A-12 Apartment District to Conditional B-2 Community Business District on the west side of Washington Avenue beginning at a point 140 feet more or less south of Virginia Beach Boulevard. Said parcel contains 23,850 square feet. Said parcels are located at 849 and 853 Virginia Beach Boulevard (GPN #2417-86-2074). DISTRICT 6 - BEACH.

**CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT:**

5. An Ordinance upon Application of Billy W. Chaplain for a Conditional Use Permit for a bulk storage yard at the southwest corner of Virginia Beach Boulevard and Washington Avenue (GPN #2417-86-2074). Said parcel is located at 849 & 853 Virginia Beach Boulevard and contains 19,000 square feet. DISTRICT 6 - BEACH.

**CHANGE OF ZONING DISTRICT CLASSIFICATION:**

6. An Ordinance upon Application of Hitt Electric Corporation for a Change of Zoning District Classification from AG-1 & AG-2 Agricultural Districts to Conditional I-1 Light Industrial District on the north side of Holland Road, west of Monet Drive (GPN #1495-23-9573). The proposed zoning classification change to Conditional I-1 is for light industrial land use. The Comprehensive Plan recommends use of this parcel for business parks, offices and appropriately located industrial and employment support uses in accordance with other Plan policies. Said parcel is located at 2972 Holland Road and contains 3,878 acres. DISTRICT 7 - PRINCESS ANNE.

**CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT:**

7. An Ordinance upon Application of Hitt Electric Corporation

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conductor of the Virginia Symphony; a week's stay at an oceanfront condo in Virginia Beach, a weekend getaway at an Eastern shore bed and

breakfast; carpets from Mark Gonsenhaus; the chance to be in the cast of a new TV series called "Navy Seals"; and luncheon for four with Deputy Supreme Allied

Commander Adm. Sir James Perowne.

"Even if you aren't quite sure where Malta is, the guest moderator will make it worth your while to attend World Quest 2000," added Zammit.

"British Adm. Sir James Perowne, KBE and Deputy Supreme Allied Commander Atlantic has agreed to be our host. Aside from his personal expertise at NATO, he is a real showman - incredibly outgoing, charming and just plain fun, as is his wife, Lady James Perowne, who will also be there to lend a helping hand."

A cash wine bar will be available for the event. Items for the silent auction will be available for viewing at 6 p.m. Proceeds from World Quest 2000 will benefit the World Affairs Council Educational Outreach Programs.

The registration fee is \$25 per person, but those wishing to sponsor tables can do so at the sponsor's level of \$250 or the ambassador's level of \$500. Prizes will be awarded to each player in the top five teams.

For more information or, to register by noon Monday, call the World Affairs Council, 464-0200.

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for a Conditional Use Permit for a building contractor's yard on the north side of Holland Road, west of Monet Drive (GPIN #1495-23-9573). Said parcel is located at 2972 Holland Road and contains 3.87 acres. DISTRICT 7 - PRINCESS ANNE.

**MODIFICATION TO THE GREEN RUN LAND USE PLAN**  
8. An Ordinance upon Application of RCR Management Company, Inc., for a modification to the Green Run Land Use Plan to allow motor vehicle rentals (trucks) at the northwest corner of Lynnhaven Parkway and Primrose Lane (GPIN #1485-78-3134). Said parcel is located at 1401 Lynnhaven Parkway and contains 3.797 acres. DISTRICT 3 - ROSE HALL.

**MODIFICATION OF CONDITIONS:**

9. An Ordinance upon Application of Oscar L. Everett, III, for a modification of conditions placed on the application for a conditional use permit for gas pumps on April 23, 1991. Property is located at Lynnhaven Parkway. DISTRICT 1 - CENTERVILLE.

**CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT:**  
10. An Ordinance upon Application of Oscar L. Everett, III, for a Conditional Use Permit for a car wash at the southeast corner of Lynnhaven Parkway and Indian River Road (GPIN #1465-83-7373). Said parcel is located at 2530 Lynnhaven Parkway and contains 3.124 acres. DISTRICT 1 - CENTERVILLE.

11. An Ordinance upon Application of Greater St. Andrews A.M.E. Church for a Conditional Use Permit for a church addition on property located on the east side of MacDonald Road, south of Townsend Drive (GPIN #1456-04-0178). Said parcel is located at 3008 MacDonald Road and contains 1 acre. DISTRICT 1 - CENTERVILLE.

12. An Ordinance upon Application of Lucor, Inc., for a Conditional Use Permit for an automotive service center (Jiffy Lube) at the northeast intersection of Virginia Beach Boulevard and Old Virginia Beach Boulevard (GPIN #1487-95-1262). Said parcel is located at 3292 Virginia Beach Boulevard and contains 17,380.44 square feet. DISTRICT 5 - LYNHAVEN.

13. An Ordinance upon Application of Snyder's RV (Davis Corner Motors, Inc.) for a Conditional Use Permit for motor vehicle sales & rentals (RV sales) on the east side of Newtown Road, north of Virginia Beach Boulevard. Said parcel is located at 470 Newtown Road and contains 1.305 acres. DISTRICT 2 - KEMPSTONVILLE.

**AMENDMENT:**  
14. An Ordinance upon Application of the City of Virginia Beach to amend Sections 203 and 230 of the City Zoning Ordinance, revising the requirements of off-street vehicular parking for churches in shopping centers and clarifying such requirements for uses permitted pursuant to a conditional use permit.

**DEFERRED BY PLANNING COMMISSION ON 11/8/00:**

15. An Ordinance upon Application of A. Stanley Mundy & Co., for a Conditional Use Permit for bulk storage yard on certain property located on the west side of S. Birdneck Road beginning at a point 400 feet north of Owl's Creek Lane (GPIN #2417-41-8550). Said parcel contains 5.28 acres. DISTRICT 6 - BEACH.

16. An Ordinance upon Application of TALC/Newton Associates for a Conditional Use Permit for a self-storage facility on the north side of Newtown Road, 320 feet more or less west of Broad Meadows Boulevard (GPIN #1468-63-4020). Said parcel is located at 909 Newtown Road and contains 29,620.8 square feet more or less. DISTRICT 4 - BAYSIDE.

17. An Ordinance upon Application of Z-Mark, LLC for a Conditional Use Permit for fuel sales in conjunction with a convenience store on the east side of Independence Boulevard, 200 feet north of Honeygrove Road (GPIN #1478-55-0960). Said parcel is located at 1014 Independence Boulevard and contains 33.541 square feet. DISTRICT 4 - BAYSIDE.

18. An Ordinance upon Application of The Home Depot, Inc., for a Conditional Use Permit for a bulk storage yard on the north side of Virginia Beach Boulevard, west of King Richard Drive (GPIN #1487-85-1650). Said parcel is located at 3352 Virginia Beach Boulevard and contains 12.64 acres. DISTRICT 5 - LYNHAVEN.

19. An Ordinance upon Application of Sair Enterprises, Inc., for a Conditional Use Permit for an automotive service station in conjunction with a convenience store, automotive repair and automotive storage at the northwest corner of S. Lynnhaven Road and Silina Drive (GPIN #1497-10-7039). Said

parcel is located at 3096 S. Lynnhaven Road and contains 41,599.8 square feet. DISTRICT 3 - ROSE HALL.

20. Appeal to Decisions of Administrative Officers in regard to certain elements of the Subdivision Ordinance, Subdivision for Ronald and Elizabeth A. Koehler. Property is located at 1601 Nanney Creek Road (GPIN #2410-55-8546). DISTRICT 7 - PRINCESS ANNE.

All interested parties are invited to attend.  
Robert J. Scott  
Planning Director  
Copies of the proposed ordinances, resolutions and amendments are on file and may be examined in the Department of Planning. For information call 427-4621.

If you are physically disabled or visually impaired and need assistance at this meeting, please call the CITY CLERK'S OFFICE at 427-4303. Hearing impaired, call TDD only at 427-4305. (TDD - Telephonic Device for the Deaf).

The Planning Commission Agenda is available on the City's Internet Home Page on the Thursday prior to each regularly scheduled meeting at [www.virginia-beach.va.us/dept/planning/Boards/p\\_cagenda.htm](http://www.virginia-beach.va.us/dept/planning/Boards/p_cagenda.htm)

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## Public Notice

**VIRGINIA IN THE CIRCUIT COURT CLERK'S OFFICE OF THE CITY OF VIRGINIA BEACH**

**MCKENZIE CONSTRUCTION CORPORATION**, a Virginia corporation, Complainant, v.  
**VALLEY BLOX, INC.**, a Virginia corporation, D/B/A AMERICA CAST

**SERVE: M.E. Gibson, Jr.**, Registered Agent, 105-109 E. High Street, Charlottesville, VA 22902  
**DIAMOND EQUIPMENT CONTRACTING CORP.**, a Virginia corporation

**SERVE: John E. Moonfield, Jr.**, Registered Agent, 3023 Bray Road, Virginia Beach, VA 23452  
**TARMAC AMERICA, INC.**, a Delaware corporation

**SERVE: Commonwealth Legal Services Corp.**, Registered Agent, 4701 Cox Road, Suite 301, Glen Allen, VA 23060  
**HANSON PIPE & PRODUCTS, INC.**, a Virginia corporation

**SERVE: Commonwealth Legal Services Corp.**, Registered Agent, 4701 Cox Road, Suite 301, Glen Allen, VA 23060  
**HUGHES SUPPLY, INC.**, a Florida corporation

**SERVE: Beverly L. Crump**, Registered Agent, 11 South 12th Street, Richmond, VA 23219  
**CONTRACTORS PAVING COMPANY INCORPORATED**, a Virginia corporation

**SERVE: Alan M. Frieden**, Registered Agent, 1435 Crossways Blvd., Suite 200, Chesapeake, VA 23320  
**FEDERAL INSURANCE COMPANY**, an Indiana corporation

**SERVE: Steven C. McCallum**, 1 James Center, Richmond, VA 23219  
**ATLANTIC CONCRETE CONTRACTORS, INC.**, a Virginia corporation

**SERVE: E. Leslie Cox**, 101 N. Lynnhaven Road, Suite 105, Virginia Beach, VA 23452  
**VULCAN MATERIALS COMPANY**, a New Jersey corporation

**SERVE: Beverly L. Crump**, Registered Agent, 11 South 12th Street, Richmond, VA 23219  
**and**

**PARTIES UNKNOWN**, who performed work or provided materials of, by, for, or to Atlantic Concrete Contractors, Inc. on the construction project known as "Lynnhaven Mall Parking Deck" in Virginia Beach, Virginia, prior to termination of Atlantic Concrete Contractors, Inc. from the project, and who claim to be owed monies not yet received for said work and/or materials, and/or who claim to be owed money, now or in the future, as a result of, or for any reason related to, that subcontract entered into between McKenzie Construction Corporation and Atlantic Concrete Contractors, Inc. on or about April 9, 2000 regarding the "Lynnhaven Mall Parking Deck" project. Respondents.

In Chancery: CH00-3607  
**ORDER OF PUBLICATION**

The object of the above-styled Bill of Interpleader is to determine which parties are or will be entitled to various funds possibly owed, now or in the future, by McKenzie Construction Corporation for the performance of work and/or provision of materials of, by, for, or to Atlantic Concrete Contractors, Inc. on the construction project known as "Lynnhaven Mall Parking Deck" in Virginia Beach prior to the termination of Atlantic Concrete Contractors, Inc. from work on said project.

And, it appearing by affidavit

filed according to law that there is set out in the Bill of Interpleader in this matter certain persons as defendants by the general description of "parties unknown" which persons, if any, are deemed interested in the subject to be divided or disposed of by the Bill, it is therefore ORDERED that any said interested person appear on or before the 5th day of January, 2001 in the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of the City of Virginia Beach and do what is necessary to protect their interests.

And, it is further ORDERED that this order be published once a week for four successive weeks in the Virginia Beach Sun, a newspaper of general circulation in the City of Virginia Beach; and that a copy of this order be posted on the front door of the Courthouse wherein this Court is held.

ENTERED this 14th day of November, 2000  
J. Curtis Fruit, Clerk  
By: Valerie B. Hazlip, Deputy Clerk

**I ASK FOR THIS:**  
Jeffrey S. Miller, P.C.  
Jeffrey S. Miller, Esq.  
Counsel for McKenzie Construction Corporation  
Jeffrey S. Miller, Esq.  
Cooper, Spang & Davis, P.C.  
Post Office Drawer 1475  
Portsmouth, VA 23705-1475  
(757) 397-3481 Phone  
(757) 397-8167 Facsimile

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## Public Notice

**TRUSTEE'S SALE OF TIME SHARE ESTATES AT FOUR SAILS RESORT VIRGINIA BEACH, VIRGINIA**

In execution of deeds of trust from the Grantors described below (the "Deeds of Trust"), each of which were recorded in the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of the City of Virginia Beach, Virginia (the "Clerk's Office"), at the Deed Book and Page numbers described below, default having been made in the payment of the respective debts secured, the undersigned trustees will offer for sale at public auction at One Columbus Center, Suite 1100, Virginia Beach, Virginia, 23462-6765, on December 11, 2000 at 9:30 a.m., the Time-Share Estates listed below, located at Four Sails Resort, 3301 Atlantic Avenue, Virginia Beach, Virginia, and more particularly described in the Deeds of Trust listed below.

**GRANTORS:** Ladislava A. Castro, Reynaldo A. Castro; **TIME-SHARE ESTATE NO.:** 40544; **DATED:** April 18, 1993; **DEED OF TRUST BOOK/PAGE:** 3253/0043.

**Jerome W. Clarke, Staci D. Clarke;** 804/43; November 30, 1998; 4049/1812.

**James E. Diggs, Jr., Michelle Diggs;** 302/41; July 22, 1993; 3323/2084.

**Joseph G. Spenziro, Pamela M. Spenziro;** 305/17; August 14, 1998; 3949/412.

**Tyrene A. Bryant, Janet P. Bryant;** PH/52; January 15, 1998; 3872/864.

**Robert S. King, Jaime L. King;** 905/04; September 14, 1992; 3181/1043.

**Wilbert R. Reid;** 601/28/2; April 28, 1992; 3129/446.

The sale shall be made subject to all existing easements and restrictive covenants as the same may lawfully affect the real estate including the Project and Time-Share Instrument for Four Sails Resort, dated August 9, 1988, recorded in the Clerk's Office in Deed Book 2762, page 1291, as amended and restated.

Terms: Cash. Settlement within 10 days of sale. A bidder's deposit not to exceed \$100.00 may be required.

**Wilson L. Rivers**  
**Joseph R. Mayes**  
Trustees

For Information Contact:  
**Wilson L. Rivers**  
**Joseph R. Mayes**  
Wolcott, Rivers, Wheary, Bassnight & Kelly, P.C.  
One Columbus Center, Suite 1100  
Virginia Beach, Virginia 23462  
(757) 497-6633

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## Public Notice

**TRUSTEE SALE**  
5606 Toulamine Court  
Virginia Beach, VA

In execution of a Deed of Trust from Renee R. Simpson dated November 24, 1993 and recorded in the Clerk's Office, Circuit Court, City of Virginia Beach, Virginia, in Deed Book 3310, page 340, securing a loan which was originally \$58,900.00. Default having occurred in the payment of the Note thereby secured, and at the request of the holder of said Note, the undersigned Substitute Trustees will offer for sale at public auction at the front steps of the Municipal Building #1, near the corner of Princess Anne & North Landing, Virginia Beach, Virginia on De-

cember 15, 2000 at 8:01 A.M., the property described in said Deed of Trust, located at the above address and briefly described as:

Unit No. "5606" in Diamond Springs Condominium, Tax Map #1468-43-2405-5606.

The property will be conveyed by Special Warranty Deed, subject to all existing easements, restrictions and any other conditions that may affect title to the property. The Noteholder reserves the right to bid at the said sale.

**TERMS: CASH:** A bidder's deposit of \$5,300.00, cash or certified check, will be required at the time of sale with the settlement and full payment of the purchase price within (15) fifteen days from the date of the sale. Additional terms will be announced at the time of sale and the successful bidder will be required to execute and deliver to the Substitute Trustee a memorandum or contract of the sale at the conclusion of bidding.

This notice is an attempt to collect on a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose. Loan Type: FHA.  
NP007735  
**FOR INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Between 8 - 11 AM  
Nectar Projects, Inc.  
Substitute Trustees  
751 Miller Drive, Suite G1  
Leesburg, Virginia 20175  
(703) 777-8619

## Public Notice

**TRUSTEE SALE**  
852 Whistling Swan Drive  
Virginia Beach, VA

In execution of a Deed of Trust from Lewis E. Lane, Jr., dated February 9, 1997 and recorded in the Clerk's Office, Circuit Court, City of Virginia Beach, Virginia, in Deed Book 3709, page 626, securing a loan which was originally \$66,950.00. Default having occurred in the payment of the Note thereby secured, and at the request of the holder of said Note, the undersigned Substitute Trustees will offer for sale at public auction at the front steps of the Municipal Building #1, near the corner of Princess Anne & North Landing, Virginia Beach, Virginia on December 15, 2000 at 8:02 A.M., the property described in said Deed of Trust, located at the above address and briefly described as:

Unit 852, in that certain condominium entitled Drift Tide II Condominium, Tax Map #1456-237-2106-0852.

The property will be conveyed by Special Warranty Deed, subject to all existing easements, restrictions and any other conditions that may affect title to the property. The Noteholder reserves the right to bid at the said sale.

**TERMS: CASH:** A bidder's deposit of \$6,400.00, cash or certified check, will be required at the time of sale with the settlement and full payment of the purchase price within (15) fifteen days from the date of the sale. Additional terms will be announced at the time of sale and the successful bidder will be required to execute and deliver to the Substitute Trustee a memorandum or contract of the sale at the conclusion of bidding.

This notice is an attempt to collect on a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose. Loan Type: FHA.  
NP007734  
**FOR INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Between 8 - 11 AM  
Nectar Projects, Inc.  
Substitute Trustees  
751 Miller Drive, Suite G1  
Leesburg, Virginia 20175  
(703) 777-8619

## Public Notice

**CITY OF VIRGINIA BEACH NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING LEASES OF CITY PROPERTY**

All interested persons are hereby advised that the Virginia Beach City Council will hold public hearings on Tuesday, December 5, 2000 at 2:00 p.m. in the City Council Chambers of the Administration Building (Bldg #1) to obtain public comment regarding the continued lease of City-owned property to two youth baseball organizations.

The first public hearing regards the lease of a 20.029-acre parcel of City-owned property located in Northgate Community Park to Plaza Little League, Inc. for the period of January 1, 2001 through December 31, 2005.

The second public hearing regards the lease of a 13.06 acre parcel of City-owned property located in Ocean Lakes Community Park to Virginia Beach Little League, Inc. for the period of January 1, 2001 through December 31, 2005.

Any questions concerning this matter should be directed to Doug Cherry, Parks & Recreation Con-

ordinator, in person, in Building #21 of the Virginia Beach Municipal Center or by calling 563-1100.

If you are physically disabled or visually impaired and need assistance at this meeting, please call the City Clerk's Office at 427-4303. Hearing impaired, call 427-4305 TDD.

\*TDD (Telephonic Device for the Deaf)

Ruth Hodges Smith, MMC  
City Clerk

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## Public Notice

**Virginia:**

The regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Virginia Beach will be held in the Council Chambers of the City Hall Building, Municipal Center, Princess Anne Station, Virginia Beach, Virginia, on Tuesday, December 5, 2000 at 2:00 p.m., at which time the following applications will be heard:

**SUBDIVISION VARIANCE:**  
DISTRICT 7 - PRINCESS ANNE

1. Appeal to Decisions of Administrative Officers in regard to certain elements of the Subdivision Ordinance, Subdivision for Rochelle Carpenter. Property is located at 4172 Gum Bridge Court (GPIN #2411-22-1683). DISTRICT 7 - PRINCESS ANNE.

2. Appeal to Decisions of Administrative Officers in regard to certain elements of the Subdivision Ordinance, Subdivision for William E. & Dorothy L. Pearson. Property is located at the southern terminus of Bridlepath Lane (GPIN #1483-81-5563). DISTRICT 7 - PRINCESS ANNE.

**CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT:**  
3. An Ordinance upon Application of SBA Communications Corporation/C.E. Forehand, III, for a Conditional Use Permit for a communications tower on property located on the north side of Princess Anne Road beginning at a point 3850 feet more or less east of Landing Road (GPIN #2317-57-8720). Said parcel contains 50 acres more or less. DISTRICT 7 - PRINCESS ANNE.

4. An Ordinance upon Application of Marky and Thomas Struther for a Conditional Use Permit for riding academy, horses for hire or boarding on the north side of Shirley Landing Drive, 650 feet more or less east of Blackwater Road (GPIN #1398-32-6447). Said parcel contains 20.321 acres. DISTRICT 7 - PRINCESS ANNE.

5. An Ordinance upon Application of Wal-Mart Real Estate Business Trust for a Conditional Use Permit for an automobile service establishment on certain property located on the east side of Newtown Drive beginning at a point 500 feet more or less north of Princess Anne Road (GPIN #2414-42-6765). Said parcel contains 18.508 acres. DISTRICT 7 - PRINCESS ANNE.

**DISTRICT 1 - CENTERVILLE**

6. An Ordinance upon Application of Truckcenter of Tidewater, Inc., for a Conditional Use Permit for a bulk storage yard on the east side of South Military Highway, north of Alexandria Avenue (GPIN

#1456-27-9020). Said parcel is located at 728 S. Military Highway and contains 20,037.6 square feet. DISTRICT 1 - CENTERVILLE.

**DISTRICT 3 - ROSE HALL**  
7. An Ordinance upon Application of The Runnymede Corporation for a Change of Zoning District Classification on the following parcels:

Parcel 1: From B-2 Community Business District to Conditional B-2 Community Business District on the south side of Sentara Way beginning at a point 330 feet more or less west of S. Rosemont Road.

Parcel 2: From R-7.5 Residential District to Conditional B-2 Community Business District on the south side of South Boulevard beginning at a point 530 feet more or less west of S. Rosemont Road.

The proposed zoning classification change to Conditional B-2 is for commercial land use. The Comprehensive Plan recommends use of these parcels for suburban residential/low density for the R-7.5 site and commercial uses for the B-2 site in accordance with other Plan policies. Said parcel contains 5.5 acres. DISTRICT 3 - ROSE HALL.

All interested parties are invited to attend.  
Ruth Hodges Smith, MMC  
City Clerk

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## Public Notice

**IN THE THIRD JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT OF SALT LAKE COUNTY**

**STATE OF UTAH**  
**JEANETTE JORDAN BARNES**, Petitioner,  
vs.

**ERIC RYAN BARNES**, Respondent.

**30-DAY SUMMONS**  
Civil No. 004906014

Judge William B. Bohling  
THE STATE OF UTAH TO:  
ERIC RYAN BARNES

You are hereby summoned and required to file an Answer in writing to a Complaint For Divorce filed by Petitioner in the captioned proceedings. You must file your Answer with the Clerk of the Third District Court, located at 450 South State Street, Salt Lake City, Utah 84111, and to serve upon or mail to Jody L. Howe of Howe Law Firm, P.C., 111 East Broadway, Suite 340, Salt Lake City, UT 84111, attorneys for Petitioner, a copy of said Answer within THIRTY days after service of this Summons upon you. If you fail to do so, judgment by default will be taken against you for the relief demanded in said Complaint For Divorce, which has been filed with the Clerk of said Court.

DATED this 25th day of October 2000.

Jody L. Howe  
HOWE LAW FIRM  
Attorneys for Petitioner

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United Way of South Hampton Roads Virginia Beach Campaign

OUR GOAL: \$ 3,255,728

This thermometer shows the total dollars raised from individuals and organizations in Virginia Beach. The total amount raised by the South Hampton Roads region is \$17,416,185.

Virginia Beach's Total Dollars Raised: \$3,374,532

for 103.6% of goal

United Way





# Olympian snags two gold medals Warrior hands in spear for education

By Jason Norman

Correspondent

Melissa Cheatwood is a national figure skating champion. She once scored a 528 in a three-game set on the bowling lanes (and holds the distinction of once conquering the 7-10 split).

She can knock down three-pointers on the basketball court, loves to roller skate, snow ski and swim and can dance with the best of them.

She's also a social dynamo ("I have four boyfriends," the Virginia Beach girl admits, grinning with the innocence of a newborn). She's a high school senior and works for GEICO insurance.

But Melissa can't read. Her speech isn't always easy to understand.

Melissa Cheatwood is mentally retarded.

But it's this trait, however, that make her accomplishments so much more admirable.

For Melissa and her family, life hasn't always been easy.

"Melissa was born eight weeks early, and she was four pounds at the time," remembers her mother Julie.

"No one expected her to live. She was in the hospital for about a month and a half after I came home. And once she finally came home, she had to go back for a month when she got pneumonia."

"When she was born, someone sent me two dozen roses," Julie says, "but I didn't find out who sent them until three years later. The nurses at the hospital told me that they had sent them. When I asked them why, they said because the doctors had said that she probably wouldn't make it."

Eighteen years later, her daughter is more physically active than most people of any age.

Only two weeks ago, at a Special Olympics event in Virginia Beach, she won two gold medals in freestyle figure skating.

"Melissa's been figure skating for about a year," says Julie. "She got involved with the Special Olympics about seven years ago, though."

"My favorite trick to do on the

ice is the "Shoot the Duck," Melissa explains, leaping out of her chair to demonstrate the technique of squatting down on one foot, while holding the other out in front of her.

She speaks highly of her idol Scott Hamilton, whom she met at Ice Wars, a skating event at the Norfolk Scope earlier this year.

"I love Scott Hamilton!" she exclaims. "He smiled at me, and hugged me when I came off the ice. He does a great backflip move." She eagerly shows off pictures of herself skating with Kristi Yamaguchi and Kurt Browning.

"Scott has been her idol for two or three years," Julie fills in.

"She really liked him even before she met him. She's watched him so much that she knows what he's going to do before he does it. She gets so excited every time he's about to do the backflip."

The two women grin about the time Melissa beat both of her coaches in a bowling contest earlier this year. "She beat one by 20 pins, and the other by more than that," Julie remembers cheerfully.

"Melissa can do anything she wants," says her brother Kyle, who is a partner in Special Olympics bowling and once rolled a 300 game.

"She's anything but shy. If you gave her the chance, she'd be out there with the pros all the time."

Others speak just as highly of Melissa's accomplishments. "She's got a hug and a smile for me every time I see her," says Amy Caldwell, Melissa's figure skating coach.

"In the Special Olympics," says Caldwell, herself a professional skater, "every child is so happy to be out on the ice. What seem like small goals to us are important to them."

"Melissa really pushes herself to excel in whatever she does," says Special Olympics organizer Debbie Reynolds.

Julie speaks highly of her daughter's accomplishments. But she also mentions the lesson that Melissa has taught her family.

"We remember a time where Melissa was on a respirator and ventilator," Julie says. "She was



**SPECIAL OLYMPIAN.** Melissa Cheatwood of Virginia Beach's most recent accomplishments include two gold medals for freestyle figure skating at the Special Olympics.

receiving 85 percent oxygen. So we're very fortunate that she's as active as she is.

"But I also think about her every time I hear someone saying that

they can't do something, or that they don't want to. I always remember Melissa, and think, 'Never say never.' Because if she had given up, she might not be here right now."

## Wildlife rehabilitators are important

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vides supplies and logistical support for those volunteers, most of whom had already been working independently to rehabilitate wildlife.

The goal of the program is to take care of the animals and prepare

them for eventual release back into the wild. Animals that go through the rehabilitation program include not only small animals such as squirrels and rabbits, but foxes, deer, turtles and other kinds of animals and birds.

Though the SPCA has a large part in the program, Adams said that the volunteer rehabilitators play a more important role.

"These are the heroes," she said. "We're just the support group."

Barbara Gipson, a volunteer rehabilitator who recently started working for the SPCA in the wildlife program, said she is glad for the chance to help with the SPCA's wildlife program.

"I love being able to give the SPCA the assistance that I couldn't give them before," said Gipson, who is currently rehabilitating three squirrels and 31 birds of various kinds.

She also said she likes having the ability to treat the animals more quickly by being on the spot when a call comes in, which is an option they had not had before.

"Now they get immediate treatment," said Gipson, "without the animal having to wait."

Linda Jaffe, another volunteer and current coordinator of the program, is also very concerned with being able to help the animals. She said she was distressed about the displaced wildlife in the area.

"There are so many wild animals out there that need help, and so little help for them," Jaffe said. "It breaks my heart."

Adams said the SPCA gets hundreds of calls each day, reporting injured or orphaned wildlife. She estimates that the wildlife rehabilitation program helped around 2,000 wild animals last year, more than a thousand of which were birds.

With all that wildlife needing rehabilitation, the women say there are not enough volunteers to meet the growing need in the area.

There are between 10 and 15 rehabilitation volunteers who take animals into their homes, with an additional 25 or 30 volunteers involved in support work such as transporting the animals or taking calls, said Adams.

Because of the lack of volunteers, the program needs the energy and commitment of the community. She also said that she thought the issue of wildlife rehabilitation is not one the people of the community think about until they're faced with it in their own backyard.

"I think it's just one of those things that's not on their radar," said Adams. "If they have a family of squirrels in their attic, it's on their radar."

However, Adams said she is hopeful because of the support the

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was used for dancing costumes, the claws for necklaces, and the tail was given to the first man to stab the lion.

"When I became a warrior it was the most important part of my life," said Kiruswa. "The lion was not a condition to become a warrior, but a test of bravery."

After his warrior training, Kiruswa worked for World Vision (WV), an international Christian development and relief organization, as a community development volunteer. With his passion for education seeding inside of him, Kiruswa was drawn back to the Maasai community to attend Daystar University in Nairobi, Kenya. He had heard about Daystar's community development program from a friend at WV. Kiruswa applied for sabbatical and was on his way to a greater education.

At Daystar, Kiruswa was roomed with Jeremiah Koshal. Kiruswa and Koshal soon became close friends who shared the same ambition.

"My aim is to link up with Christians in non-profit organizations, working with community development," said Koshal. "Steven and I both aim to make some change in our society, starting with leadership."

Four years of school helped both Kiruswa and Koshal gain the knowledge they needed to make a difference. But Kiruswa didn't stop there.

Through Daystar's consortium program, Kiruswa went to University College in Massachusetts. He received a bachelor's

degree in Community Development and Business Administration. With his degree in hand, Kiruswa went back to work with World Vision Tanzania to start the organization's Communication Department.

"I came back to World Vision at the end of my program," said Kiruswa, "and while working there, I realized the need to integrate communication skills with community development."

This realization led him to Regent University. At Regent, Kiruswa earned a master's degree in International and Intercultural Communication.

Kiruswa was so pleased with his education at the university he convinced Koshal to pursue his education there as well. Koshal is presently working on his MBA and also plans to earn his doctorate at Regent. Kiruswa is currently working on his doctorate and has a job with World Vision International.

"I work for World Vision International with the hope of empowering the local church to reach more people through the gospel," said Kiruswa.

Kiruswa has accomplished many things in his lifetime, including warrior training and an extensive education. He is a role model for his people. He was part of the beginning of a new era for the Maasai people.

Since the law's passing in 1972, an estimated 68 percent of people over the age of 15 are literate in Tanzania.

"Education is a means to require the best knowledge, skill, and understanding of an environment," said Kiruswa. "Through education I have gained a better perspective on how to approach situations in my own community."

of achieving that.

"The mission of the Virginia Beach SPCA is to promote a more humane community. That's our overall mission. Nowhere does it say it's for just dogs and cats," said Adams. "It's a human community for all living creatures. And we believe that wildlife is among our area of responsibility."

For more information on the wildlife rehabilitation program in the Hampton Roads area, see the wildlife page on their website at [www.vbspc.com](http://www.vbspc.com).

## Roadside stands prepare for season

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at North Bay Shore Market. "It's been busy today," she said, in between waiting on locals and day-trippers who'd come in search of collards, oysters and hams. "I love it, it's so wonderful."

Barnes agreed that this season's a good one for collards, and she added that the yams this year are better than last year, when heavy rains in September and early October ruined most of the sweet potatoes and collards.

Locally-grown cabbage, broccoli, lettuce, turnips and rutabagas are still available at local stands, but it's the kale that's likely to stand the winter's weather the best, Bright said. The collards will be around at least until Christmas, but January's severe cold often burn them "and if the cold doesn't get them, they'll bolt and go to seed around spring," he said. "The kale does the best in standing cold weather."

But collards and kale aren't the only green in the Virginia Beach winter landscape. Evergreens, including cedar, pine and magnolias, are lovely for decorating, and some farmers, including Bright, will also offer Christmas trees for sale.

Bright, who raises Virginia Pine and White Pine at his Princess Anne Road home, will begin selling the trees this Saturday morning, and he'll be open each weekend until Christmas. This year's trees, just like the collards that he also offers for sale, are "real nice, with good color," he said.

"We'll open for Christmas Nov. 25," he said, "and we'll have a Christmas shop, with wreaths, crafts, gift bags, and I think my wife is going to make fudge."

John Cromwell, owner of Cromwell's Produce, is also planning to re-open his General Booth Boulevard stand this Saturday to sell mountain-grown fir trees, collards "a few cabbages" and mini-

ture wreath reindeer. Employee Cindy Weatherly will also make wreaths from the fir, as well as from magnolia leaves and other evergreens.

Hand-made wreaths from fresh local evergreens have become very popular decorative items, and this Christmas, day-trippers will have no shortage of styles to choose from. Barnes' husband, Steve, is also making a variety of sizes and styles. His equipment, and many of his ideas, including the one for a large, apple-studded wreath he was working on the other day "came from a lady in Maine who wanted to get out of the business," Barnes said.

Seafood, particularly oysters, are also part of the local Christmas tradition. Oysters are in season "every month that has an 'R' in it, but they're particularly good in November, December and January," according to Barnes, who sells Eastern Shore oysters at her market.

To many, however, collards are the single most necessary ingredient for a traditional Christmas.

"They're to die for," said Kim Webster of Knetts Island. But while everyone agrees that the tough, leafy vegetable is a tradition, many disagree on how to cook them. The bottom line, Webster and Barnes say, is that the cooking method depends on how you like them, and on the time of the year that you're cooking them. The more frosty mornings, the less cooking time required, Barnes said, because the collards become more tender with each frost.

"I only cook them for about an hour," Webster said, "because I like them a little crisp. But I soak them overnight first. I boil a piece of salt pork for a couple of hours, then put that water in a slow cooker, put the collards in, and soak them overnight. Then I cook them the next day."

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